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FEATURE-
LENGTH
Stories!

"C. B. MEETS
THE HABITUAL
LIAR!"

WHAT HAPPENS
WHEN NO ONE
BELIEVES HIS
ONE AND ONLY
TRUTH?

and

"C. B. AND
THE GOOD-BAD
BOY!"

THERE IS A
CHOICE ON THE
ROAD TO
MANHOOD
WHEN A BAD
BOY MUST
MAKE HIS FINAL
CHOICE! WHAT
WAS SCOTTY'S
CHOICE?



HE'S EMPTIED
YOUR GUN, C.B.!
OUR MAGIC IS
GONE! HE SAYS
THEY HAVE NOTHING
TO FEAR FROM US
NOW! GOODBYE,
C.B.! IT WAS NICE
KNOWING
YOU!

DON'T LOOK NOW,
PROFESSOR, BUT SQUEEKS
IS UP IN THAT TREE
WITH A BOX OF BLANK
CARTRIDGES! WHEN THEY
LIGHT THIS WOOD, HE'S
GOING TO DROP
THEM INTO THE
FIRE!

UNGA, GUZA
BALAPO MAKI OHA!
(THEIR POWER IS
GONE! I TOLD YOU
THEY WERE PHONIES-
GIVE THEM THE
WORKS!)

CHARLES
BIRO



CRIMEBUSTER GOES ON THE MOST DANGEROUS ADVENTURE OF HIS LIFE! WHAT WAS THE DEADLY TRAP SET
BEHIND THE WALLS OF THE STONY CITY? WHAT FIERCE TRAGEDY BEFELL ALL THE INHABITANTS?



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LIAR!**

story by
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BIRO**

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WHIPPING
THEMSELVES
UP INTO A FRENZY.
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CAN SAVE US!

YOU'RE
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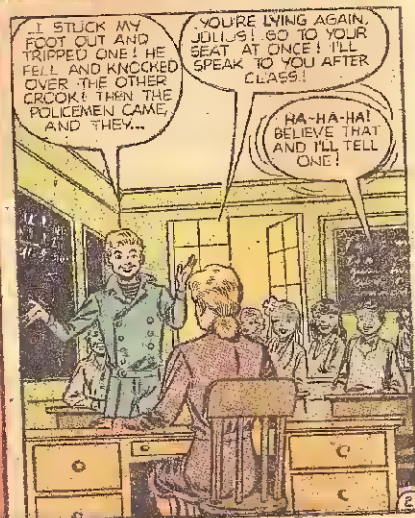
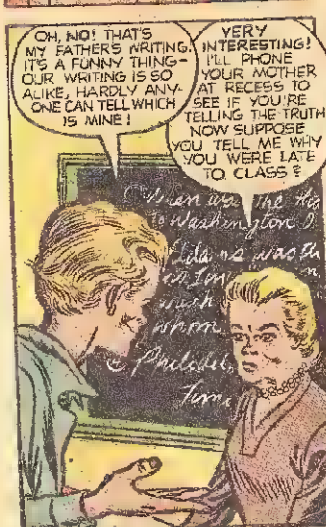
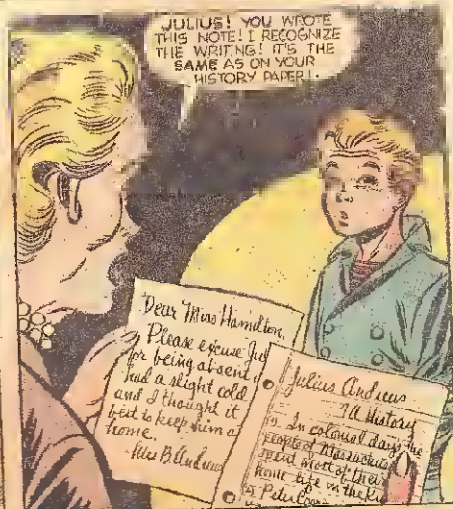
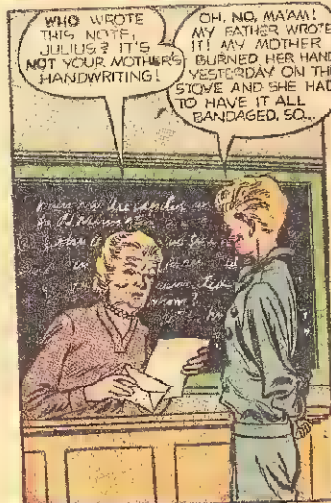
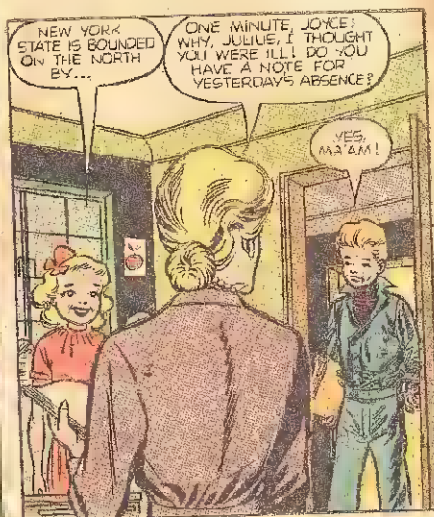
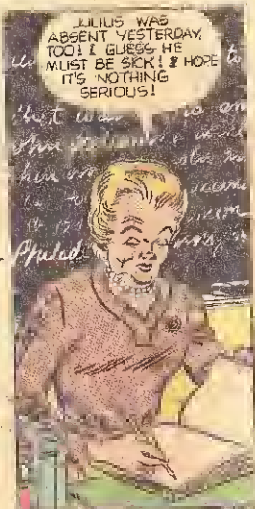
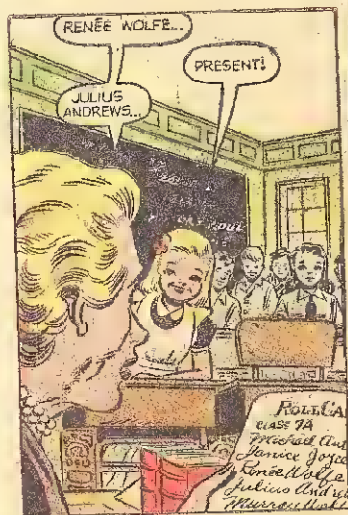
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**HERMAN
MAURER**

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HIS IS A STORY ABOUT A LIAR! THERE ARE MANY KINDS OF LIARS... SOME LIE IN ORDER TO GAIN MONEY! THERE ARE THOSE WHO LIE TO GAIN SYMPATHY! BUT THE MOST COMMON OF ALL LIARS, AND PERHAPS THE MOST PITIFUL, IS THE HABITUAL LIAR WHO LIES BECAUSE OF A DESIRE TO IMPRESS OTHERS WITH HIS IMPORTANCE! IT IS HIS LAZY WAY OF ACHIEVING A PHONY SUCCESS! OF COURSE, NO ONE EVER BELIEVES SUCH A LIAR A SECOND TIME, SO THEREFORE THE DANGER HIS LYING HOLDS, FORTUNATELY, CAN HARM NO ONE BUT HIMSELF! TO BE CAUGHT IN SUCH A LIE CAN COST A PERSON THE RESPECT OF EVERYONE IN HIS COMMUNITY! IT IS A DIFFICULT MARK TO LIVE DOWN, AS YOU WILL SEE IN THIS STORY OF THE HABITUAL LIAR!

Charles Biro



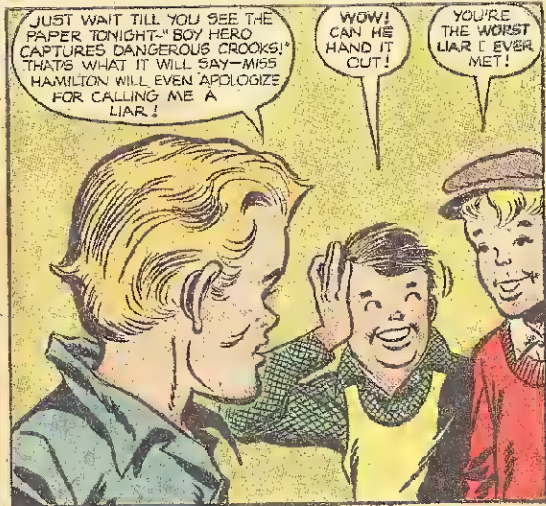


WHAT DID MISS HAMILTON DO TO YOU?

YEAH, DID SHE PHONE YOUR MOTHER?

WHEN ARE YOU GONNA STOP THROWIN' THE BULL?

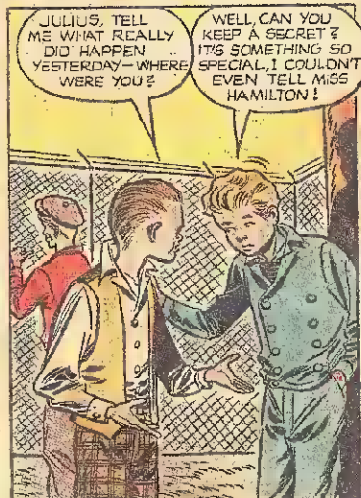
NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS! YOU'RE ALL JUST JEALOUS THAT'S ALL!



JUST WAIT TILL YOU SEE THE PAPER TONIGHT-"BOY HERO CAPTURES DANGEROUS CROOKS!" THAT'S WHAT IT WILL SAY-MISS HAMILTON WILL EVEN APOLOGIZE FOR CALLING ME A LIAR!

WOW! CAN HE HAND IT OUT!

YOU'RE THE WORST LIAR I EVER MET!

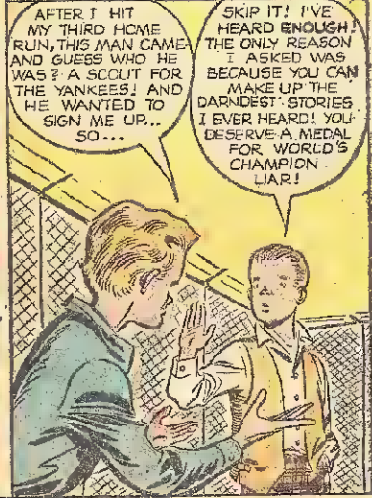


JULIUS, TELL ME WHAT REALLY DID HAPPEN YESTERDAY-WHERE WERE YOU?

WELL, CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET? IT'S SOMETHING SO SPECIAL, I COULDN'T EVEN TELL MISS HAMILTON!

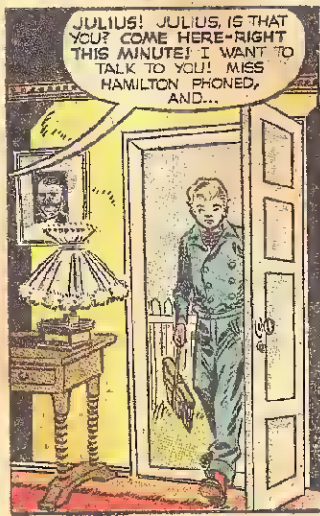


I WAS ON MY WAY TO SCHOOL YESTERDAY WHEN I PASSED THAT SAND LOT ON THE CORNER OF ELM STREET, WHERE A BUNCH OF BIG GUYS WERE PLAYING BALL! THEY WERE ONE SHORT ON THE TEAM, SO THEY ASKED ME TO PLAY!

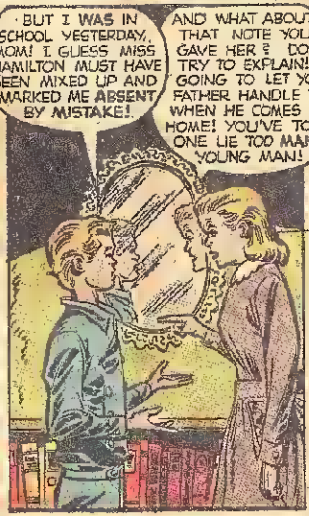


AFTER I HIT MY THIRD HOME RUN, THIS MAN CAME AND GUESS WHO HE WAS? A SCOUT FOR THE YANKEES! AND HE WANTED TO SIGN ME UP... SO...

SKIP IT! I'VE HEARD ENOUGH! THE ONLY REASON I ASKED WAS BECAUSE YOU CAN MAKE UP THE DARDEST STORIES I EVER HEARD! YOU DESERVE A MEDAL FOR WORLD'S CHAMPION LIAR!

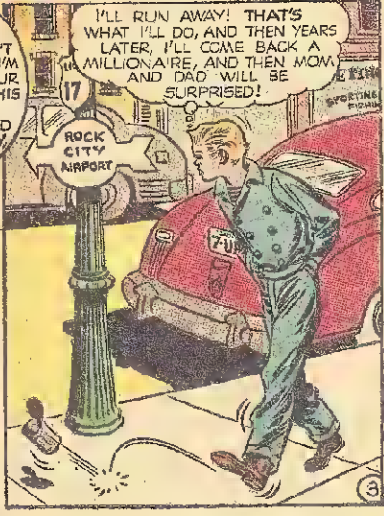


JULIUS! JULIUS, IS THAT YOU? COME HERE-RIGHT THIS MINUTE! I WANT TO TALK TO YOU! MISS HAMILTON PHONED, AND...

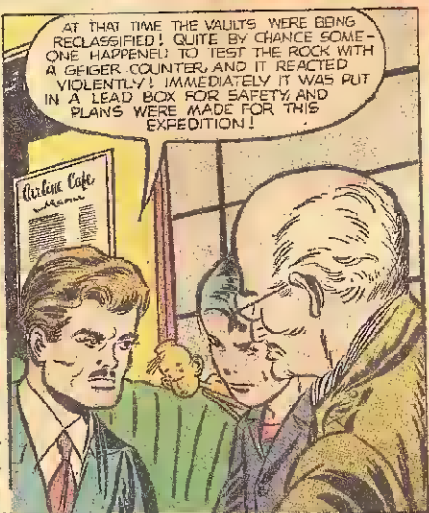
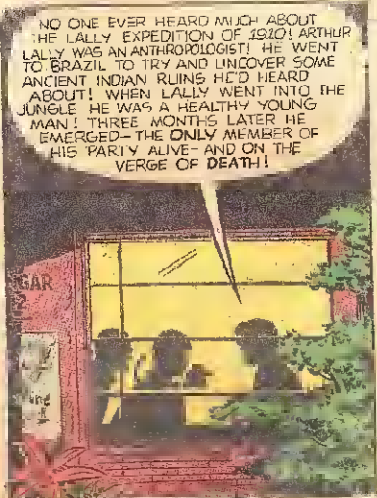
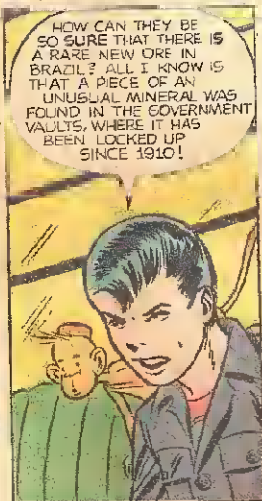
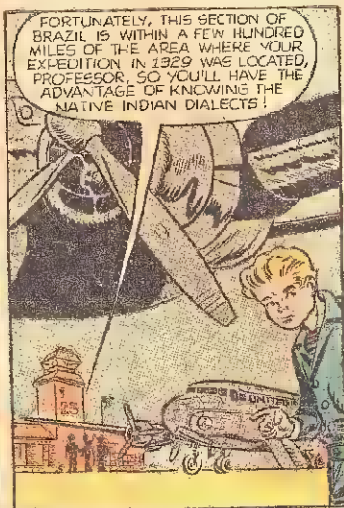


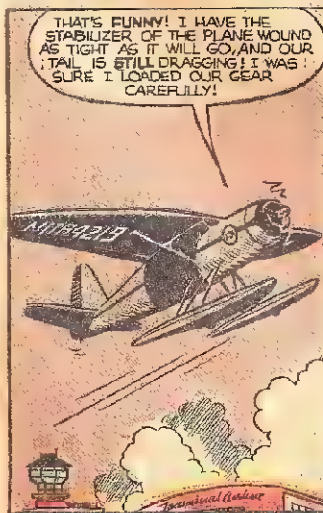
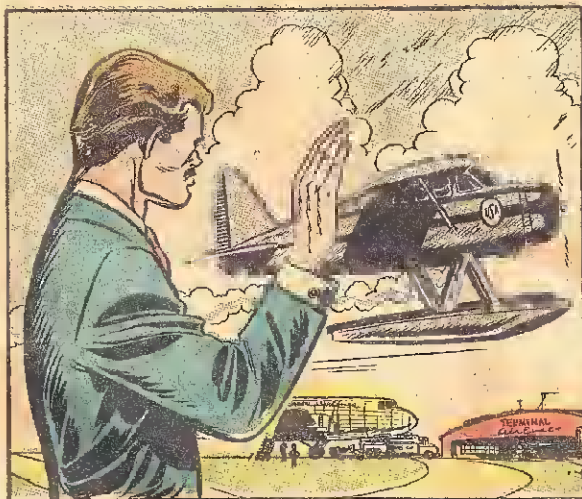
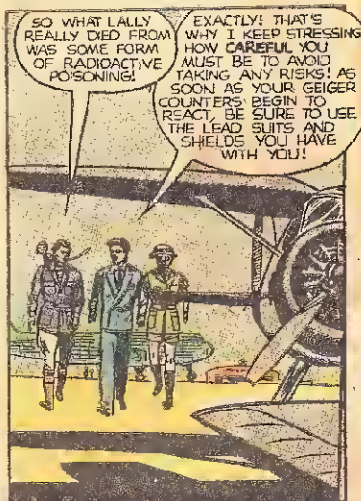
BUT I WAS IN SCHOOL YESTERDAY, MOM! I GUESS MISS HAMILTON MUST HAVE BEEN MIXED UP AND MARKED ME ABSENT BY MISTAKE!

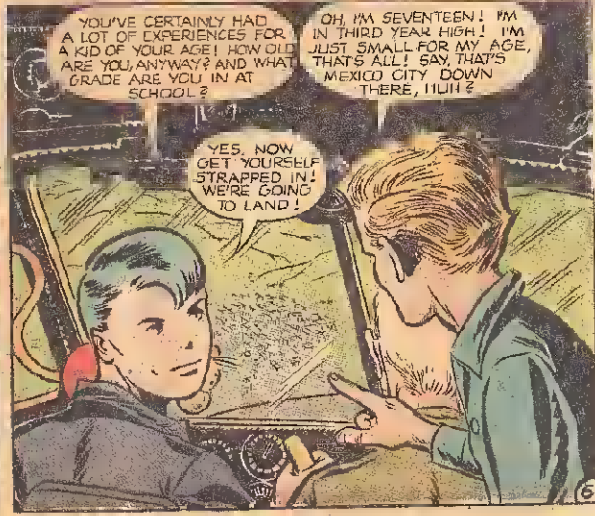
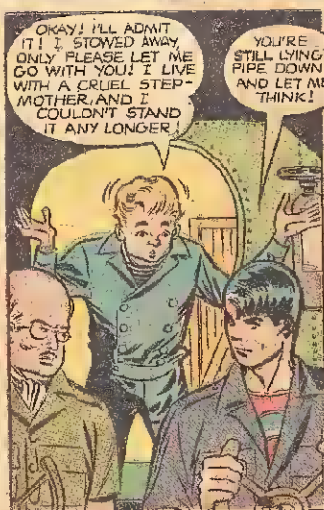
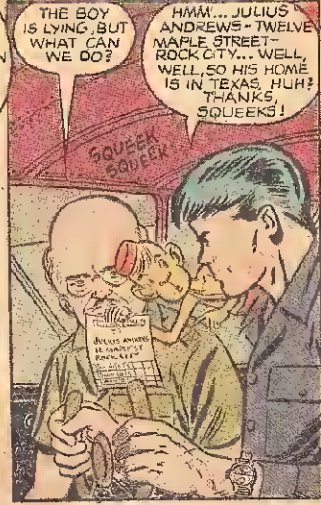
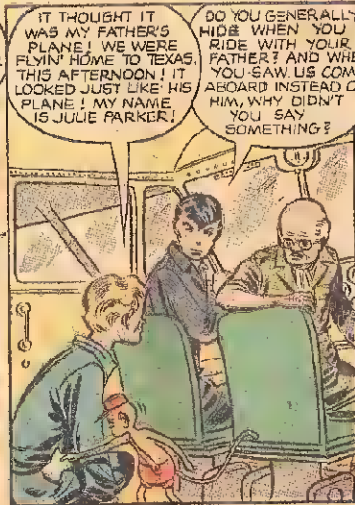
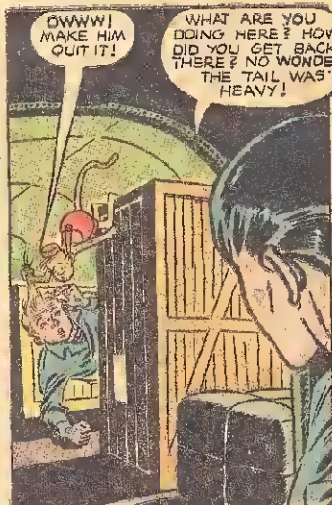
AND WHAT ABOUT THAT NOTE YOU GAVE HER? DON'T TRY TO EXPLAIN! I'M GOING TO LET YOUR FATHER HANDLE THIS WHEN HE COMES HOME! YOU'VE TOLD ONE LIE TOO MANY, YOUNG MAN!

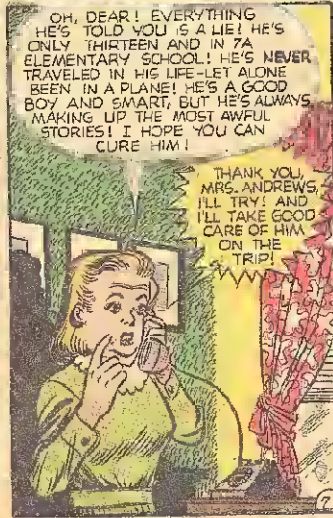
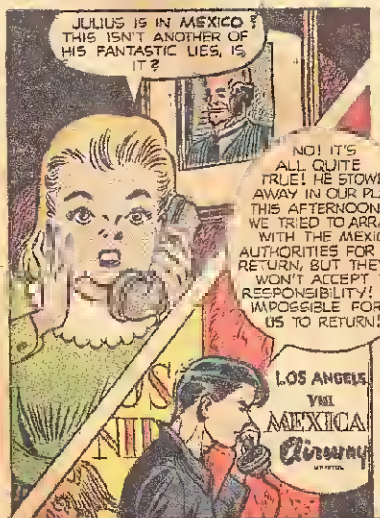


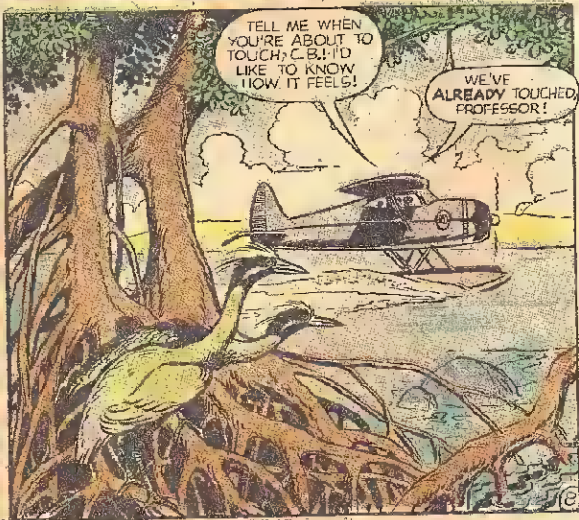
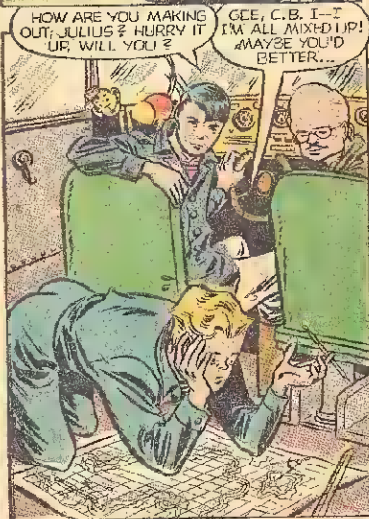
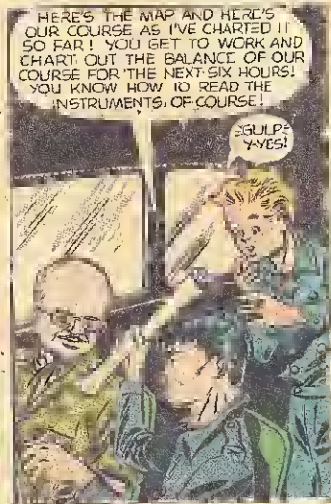
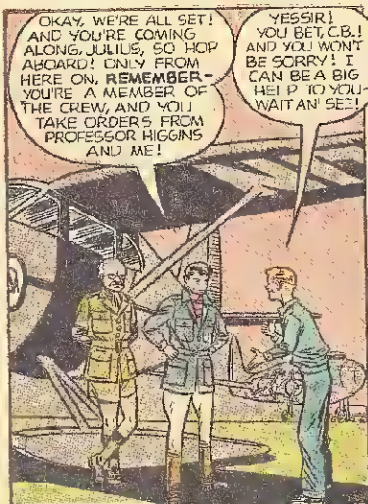
I'LL RUN AWAY! THAT'S WHAT I'LL DO, AND THEN YEARS LATER I'LL COME BACK A MILLIONAIRE, AND THEN MOM AND DAD WILL BE SURPRISED!

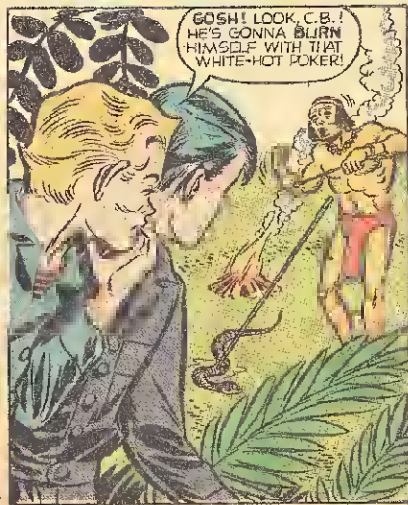
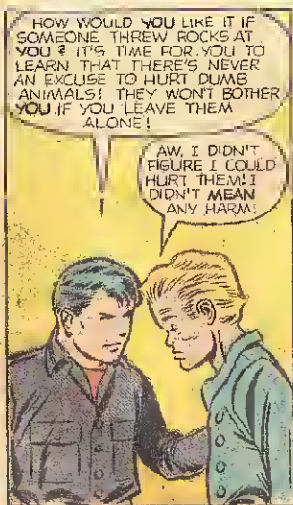
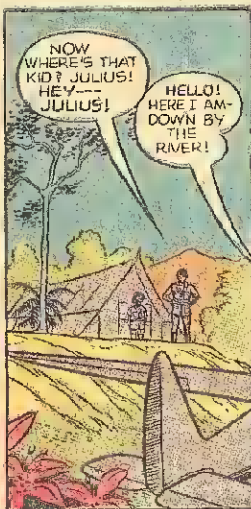
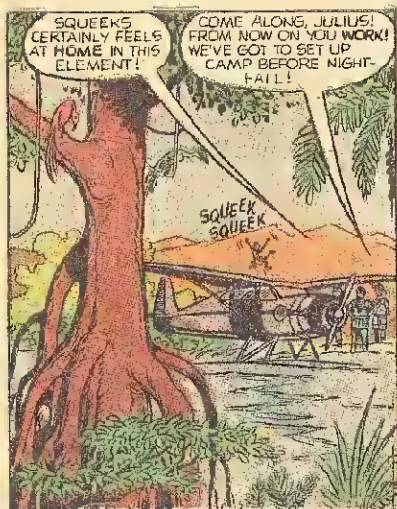


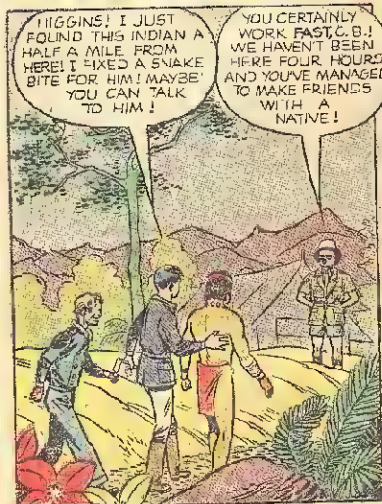
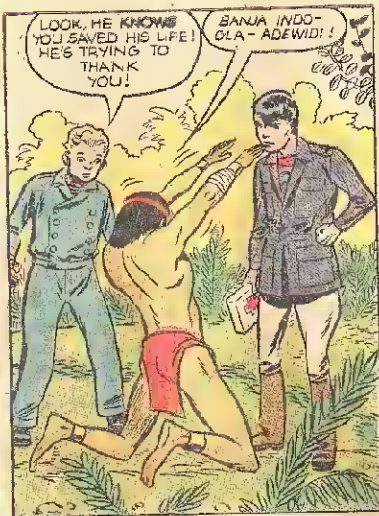


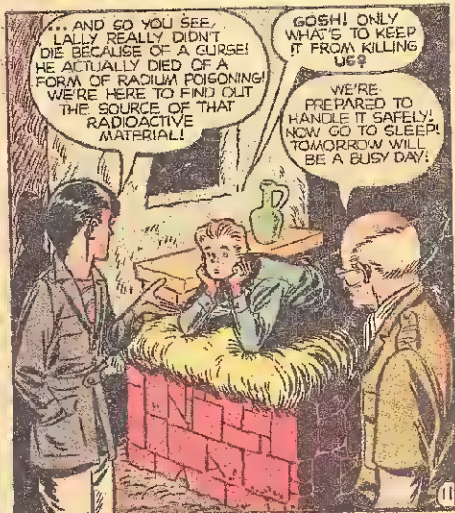
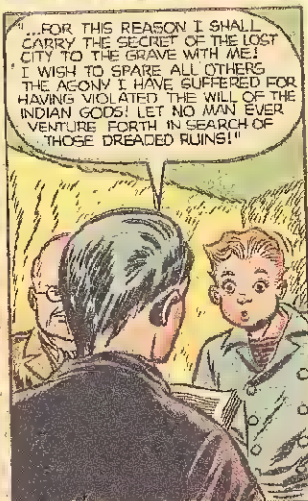
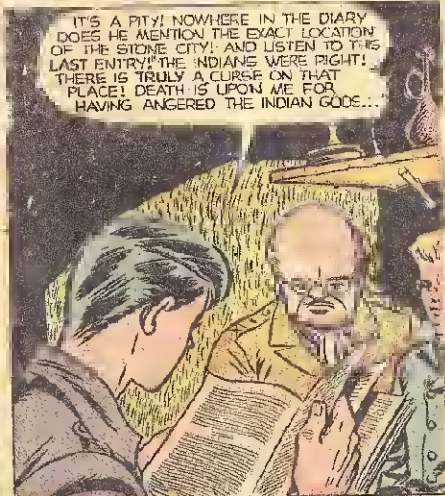
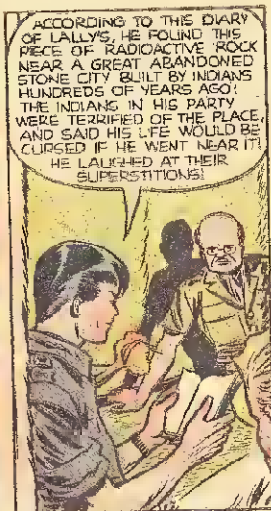


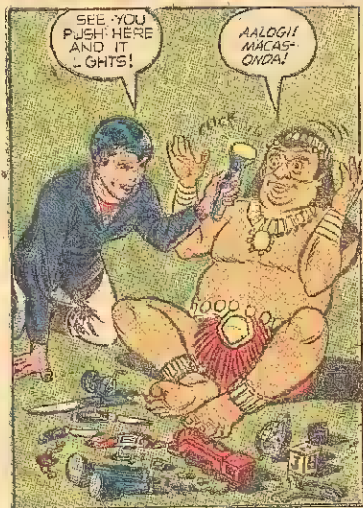
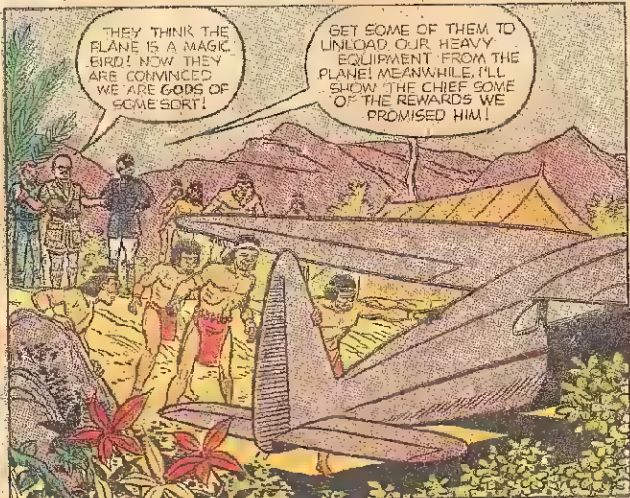
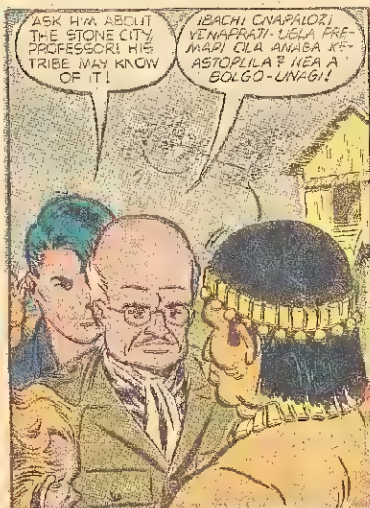


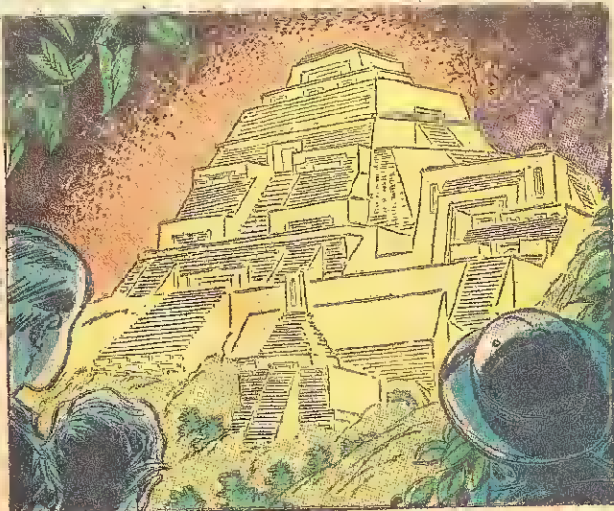
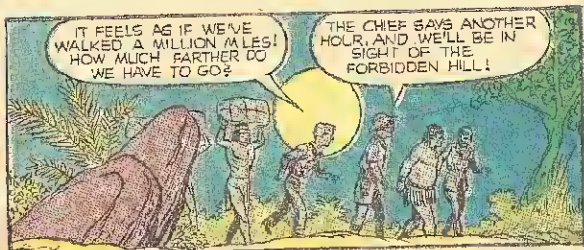


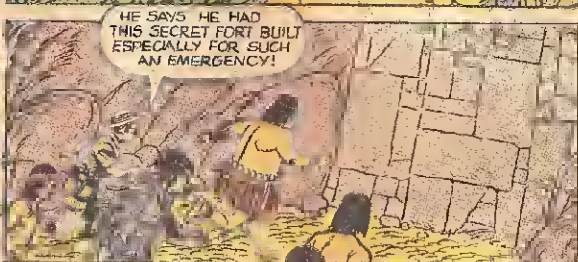
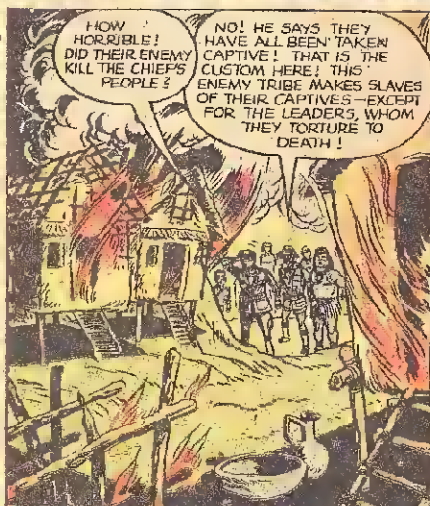


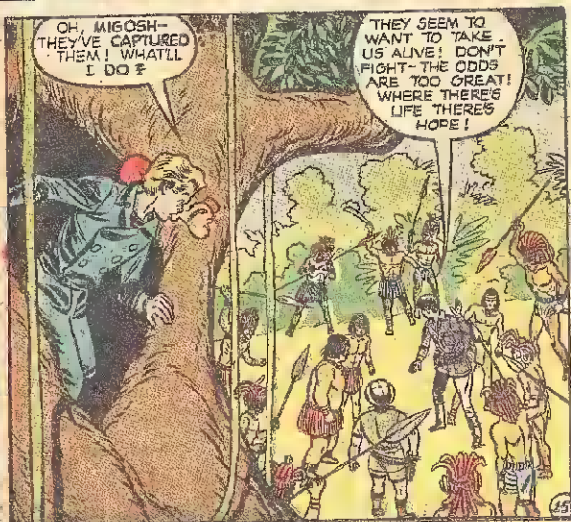
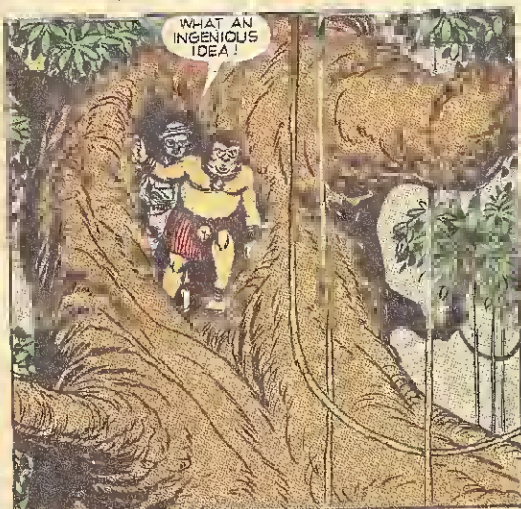


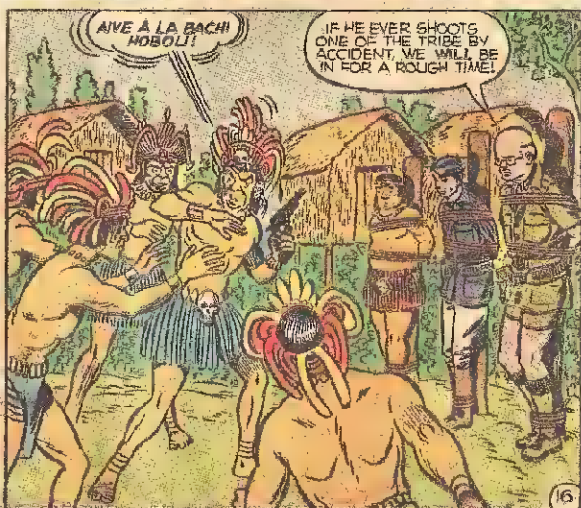


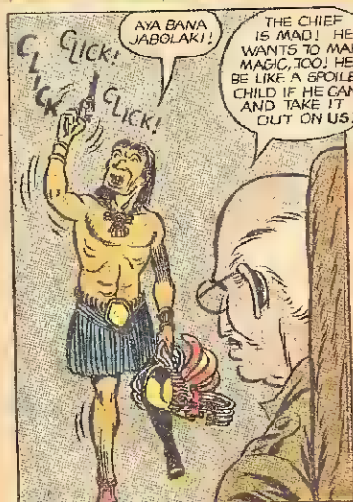
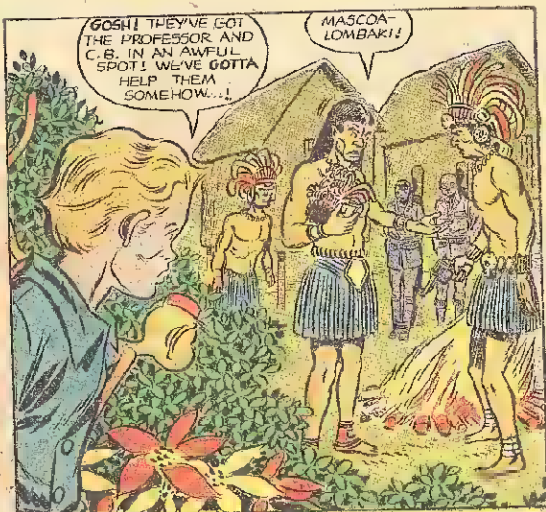
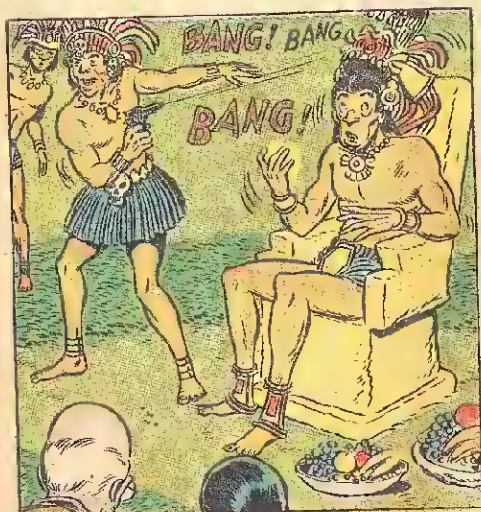




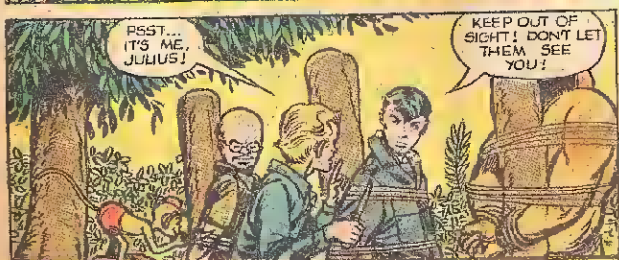




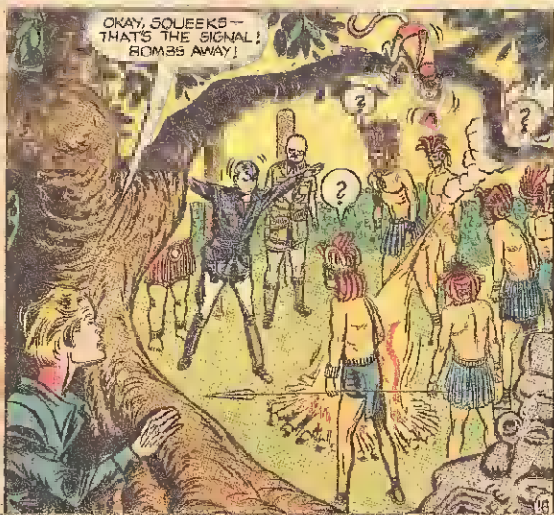
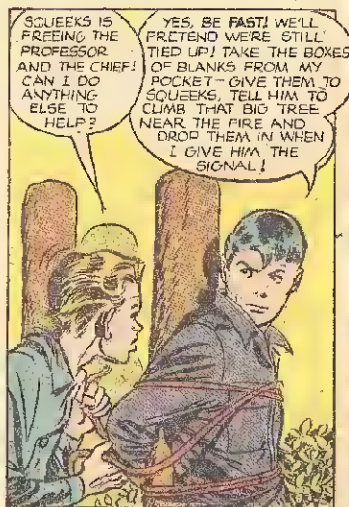


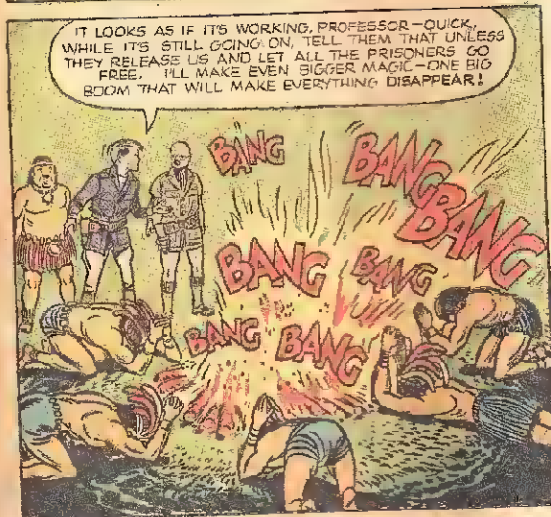
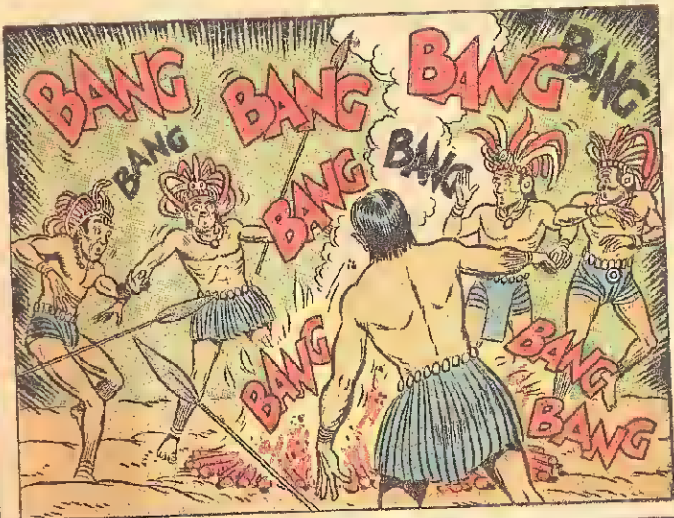


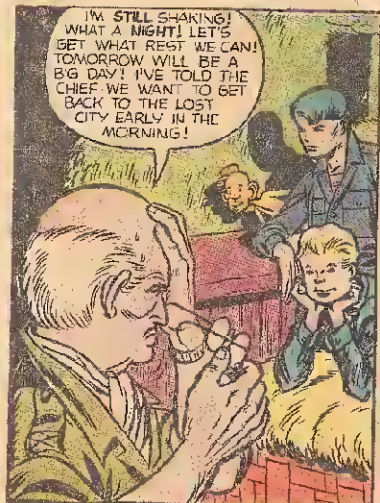
THE CHIEF IS MAD! HE WANTS TO MAKE MAGIC, TOO! HE'LL BE LIKE A SPOILED CHILD IF HE CAN'T AND TAKE IT OUT ON US!



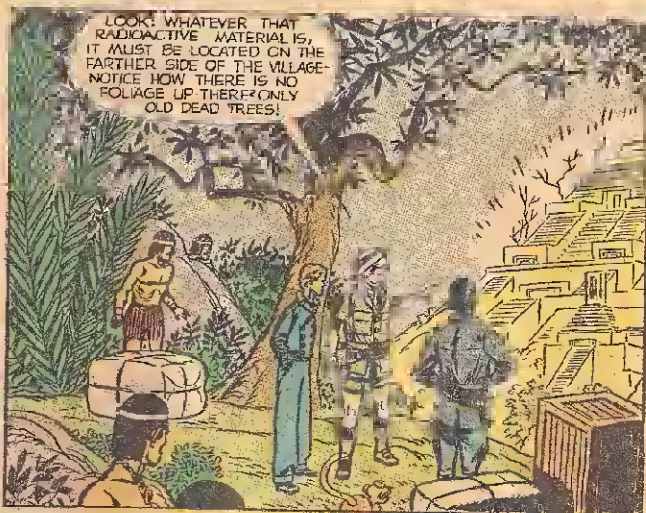
KEEP OUT OF SIGHT! DON'T LET THEM SEE YOU!



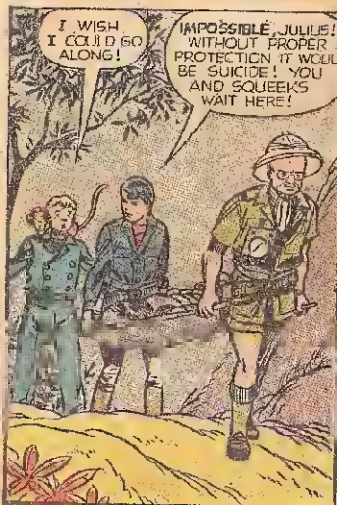




I'M STILL SHAKING!
WHAT A NIGHT! LET'S
GET WHAT REST WE CAN!
TOMORROW WILL BE A
BIG DAY! I'VE TOLD THE
CHIEF WE WANT TO GET
BACK TO THE LOST
CITY EARLY IN THE
MORNING!

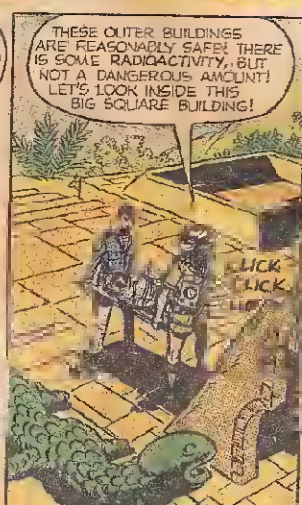


LOOK! WHATEVER THAT
RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL IS,
IT MUST BE LOCATED ON THE
FARTHER SIDE OF THE VILLAGE-
NOTICE HOW THERE IS NO
FOLIAGE UP THERE*ONLY
OLD DEAD TREES!



I WISH
I COULD GO
ALONG!

IMPOSSIBLE, JULIE!
WITHOUT PROPER
PROTECTION IT WOULD
BE SUICIDE! YOU
AND SQUEEK'S
WAIT HERE!



THESE OUTER BUILDINGS
ARE REASONABLY SAFE! THERE
IS SOME RADIOACTIVITY, BUT
NOT A DANGEROUS AMOUNT!
LET'S LOOK INSIDE THIS
BIG SQUARE BUILDING!

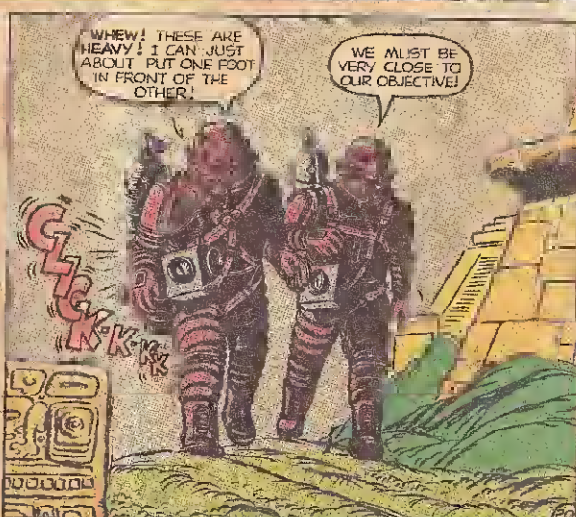


GOLLY! WHAT-
EVER HAPPENED
MUST HAVE BEEN
SO SUDDEN THAT
THEY WERE WIPED
OUT WITHOUT
WARNING!

FROM THE
CONDITION OF THE
BONES AND THE
GENERAL ASPECTS,
I'D GUESS WHATEVER
THE CATASTROPHE
WAS, IT OCCURRED
ABOUT 200 YEARS
AGO!

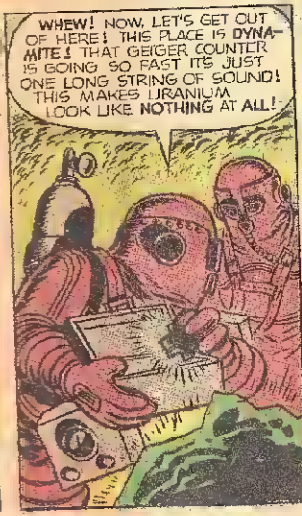
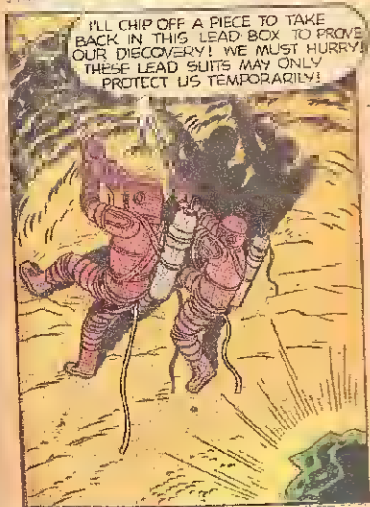
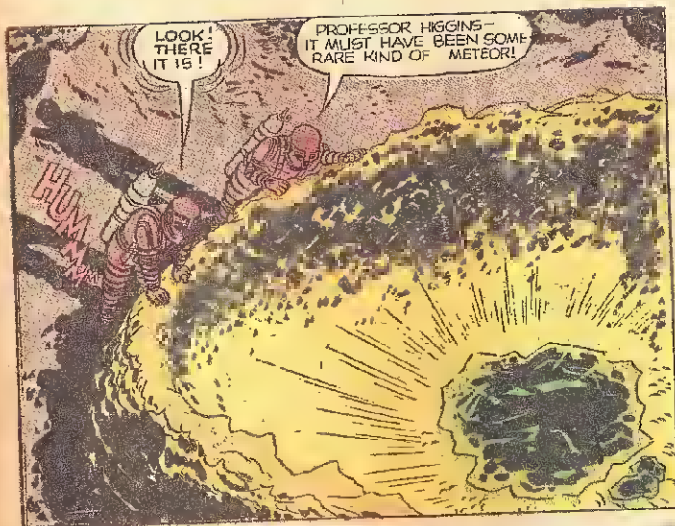


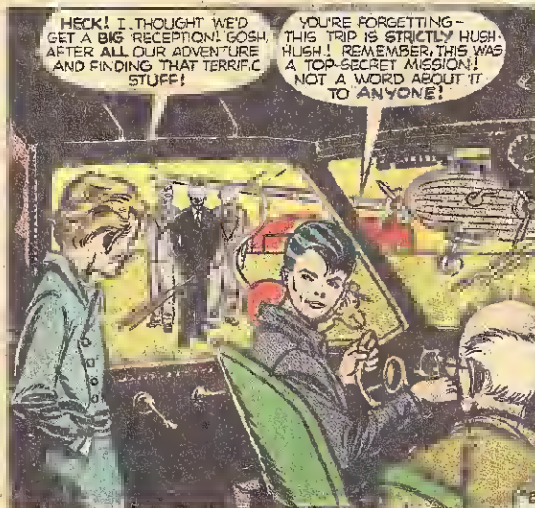
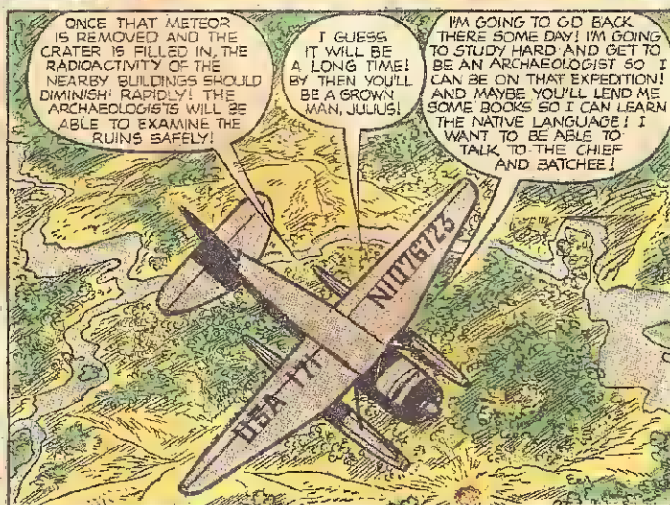
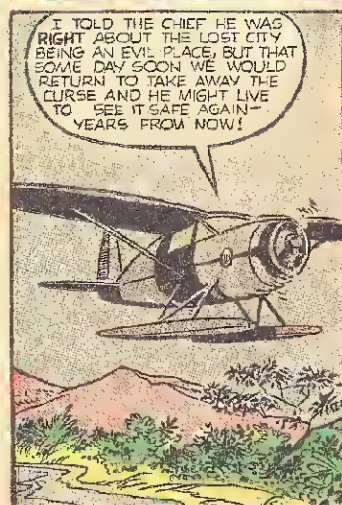
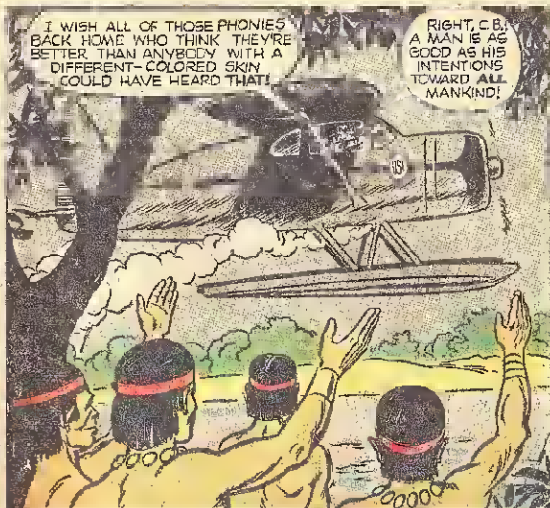
FROM HERE ON IT'LL
BE DANGEROUS-WE NEED
THE PROTECTION OF THE
LEAD SUITS NOW!

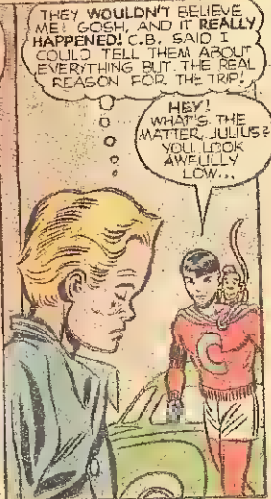
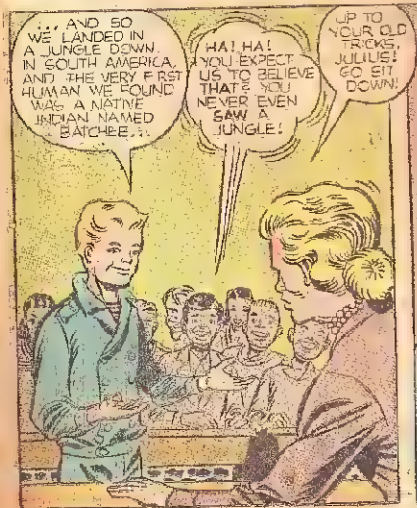
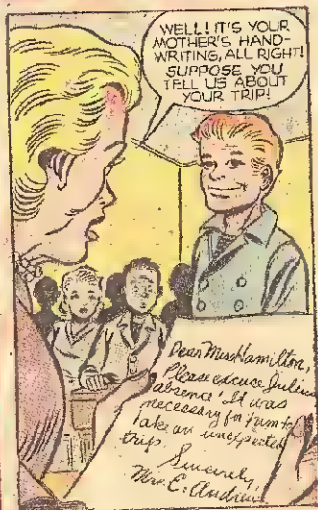
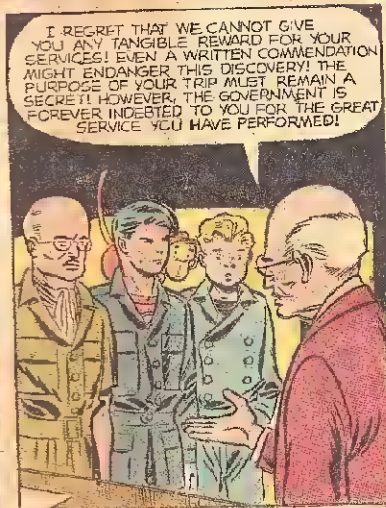
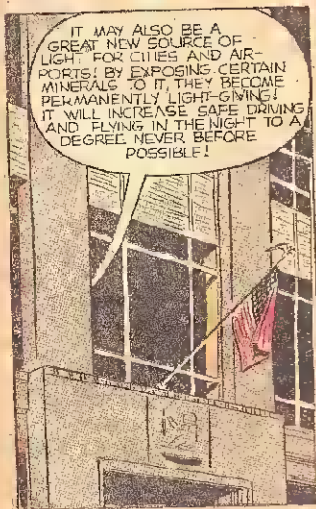
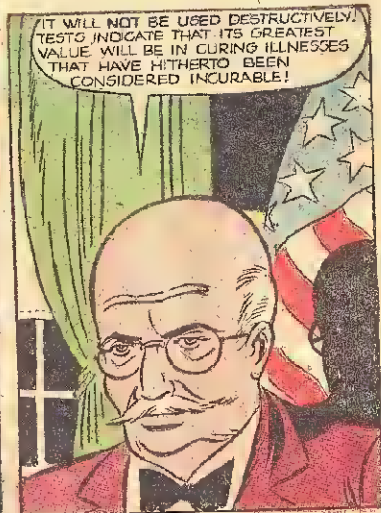
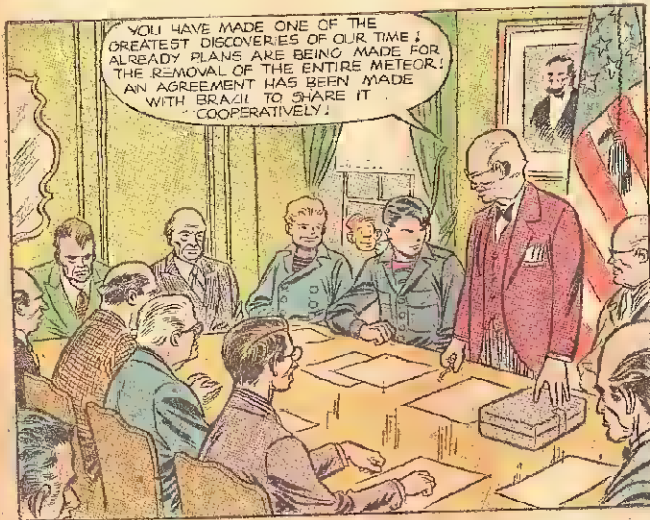


WHOW! THESE ARE
HEAVY! I CAN JUST
ABOUT PUT ONE FOOT
IN FRONT OF THE
OTHER!

WE MUST BE
VERY CLOSE TO
OUR OBJECTIVE!







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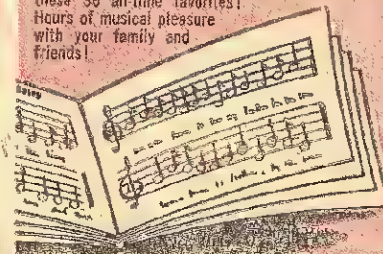
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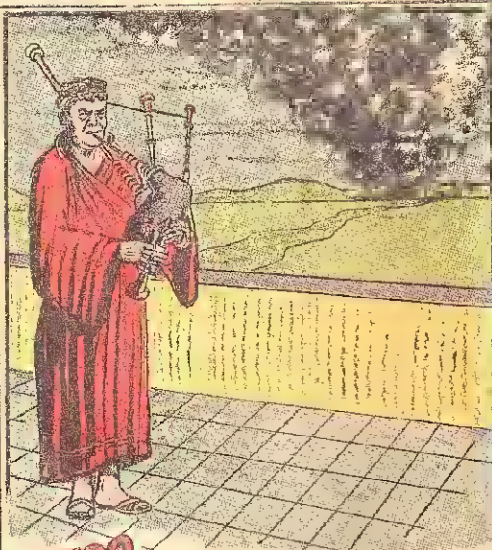
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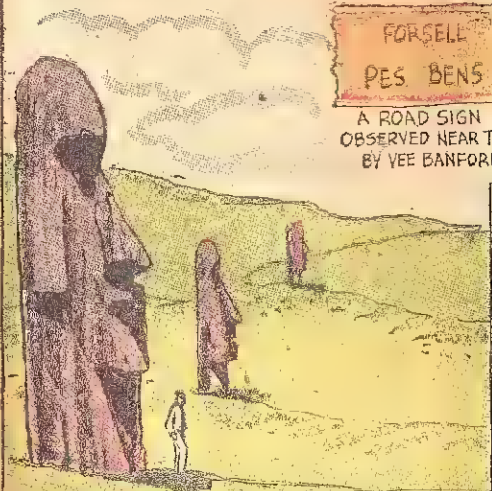
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DENY IT IF YOU CAN by C.H. MOORE



NERO DID NOT FIDDLE WHILE ROME BURNED!

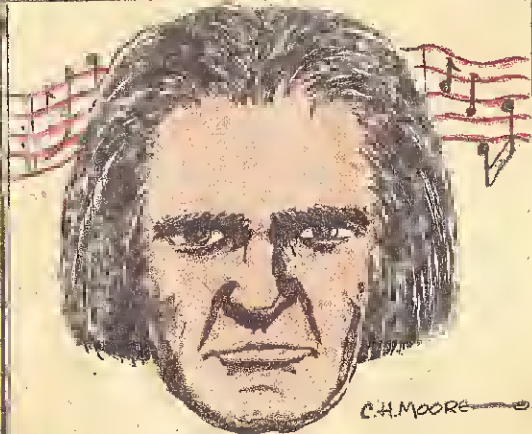
THE FIDDLE HAD NOT BEEN INVENTED IN NERO'S TIME! HOWEVER, HE MAY VERY WELL HAVE PLAYED THE BAG PIPE WHILE ROME BURNED, FOR HISTORY TELLS US THAT NERO WAS A PROFICIENT BAG PIPE PLAYER AND EVEN HAD THE BAG PIPE DEPICTED ON ONE OF THE COINS!



**FORSELL
PES BENS**

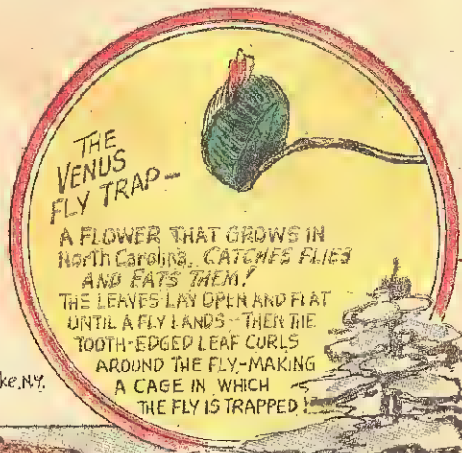
A ROAD SIGN
OBSERVED NEAR Tupper Lake, N.Y.
BY VEE BANFORD

STRANGE STONE FACES - 3 TO 36 FEET HIGH ARE SCATTERED OVER THE COUNTRYSIDE ON Easter Island - NO ONE KNOWS WHO CARVED THEM OR WHAT THEIR PURPOSE WAS!



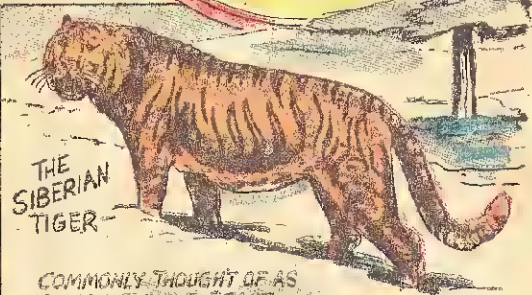
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VENUS
FLY TRAP -**

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WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?

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CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

The boys around my neighborhood have formed a club which is comprised of three parts: Daredevils, Crimebusters, and a group called Crime Does Not Pay. During the summer each part of the club plays each other in sports. Dues are ten cents a month, and with this money we buy **BOY**, **DAREDEVIL**, and **CRIME DOES NOT PAY**. We call it the **THREE BOOK CLUB**.

John J. Brala's, President
5136 Argyle
Dearborn, Mich.

Perhaps it is somewhat unusual for a parent to write a thank-you letter for a prize a youngster has won, but in this case, my writing to you is an absolute "must". Imagine our delight and surprise when Tony, 11, received Mr. Sidney Elias' letter, informing him that he had won first prize in the **LEV GLEASON COMIC GROUP STAMP PAGE** Contest. Tony is an ardent stamp collector, and you have no idea what a new incentive in collecting the beautiful Scott International Album is giving him. Tony and I both wish to express our sincere thanks for the opportunity the **LEV GLEASON COMIC GROUP** has given him. Your Stamp Page is a great source of interest to him and his fellow-hobbyists.

Mrs. Joseph L. Saltzman
3458 Hillcroft Ave., S. W.
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Irvin J. Schindler
20 South Chester St.
Baltimore, Md.

I'm an ardent C. B. fan, mainly for the reasons that the illustrations are so wonderful, but mostly because the stories are told in a way that makes sense. Whenever I buy a magazine it has to say Lev Gleason Publisher, Charles Biro and Bob Wood, Editors, across the front. Keep up the good work.

R. E. Goodwin
5 Henry Ave.
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I am a nurse who is writing to say that your wonderful magazine **BOY** has been a great help in providing entertaining reading material for my patients. The youngsters in the children's ward eagerly look forward to reading each issue.

E. P.
Heaton Hospital
Montpelier, Va.

While in the Veterans' Hospital at Wadsworth, Kansas, I happened across a copy of **BOY Comics** for the first time, and found the stories extremely interesting and educational. I then suggested to my wife that she buy it for our son, and he's been an avid reader ever since. You're really doing a swell job.

H. D. Crabtree
719 E. 48th St.
Kansas City, Mo.

I think I am the first Austrian to praise your **BOY Comics**. Over here comics are very rare, but I read **BOY** every chance I get. Many of the American boys in Vienna have copies, and it's a favorite with them, too. I am 15 years old and speak English very well.

Werner Filek
Vienna 19
Vegastreet 12
Austria

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Panel 2 (Top Middle): The woman is at an "ART SUPPLIES" store. A man in a suit asks her: "COULD YOU GIVE ME A JOB WORKING HERE? I'M ALL OUT OF DRAWING MATERIAL!"

Panel 3 (Top Right): The woman is at a desk. A man in a suit asks her: "YOUR HONOR, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE A SURPRISE WITNESS!"

Panel 4 (Middle): The woman is on a beach. A man in a suit is in the water. A speech bubble from the man says: "IT SAYS... PRESENT THIS AT LOUIE'S WITH FIFTY CENTS AND GET A WONDERFUL FISH DINNER!"

Panel 5 (Bottom): The woman is in a room. A man in a suit is on the floor. A speech bubble from the man says: "THEY ALWAYS HUNT TOGETHER!"

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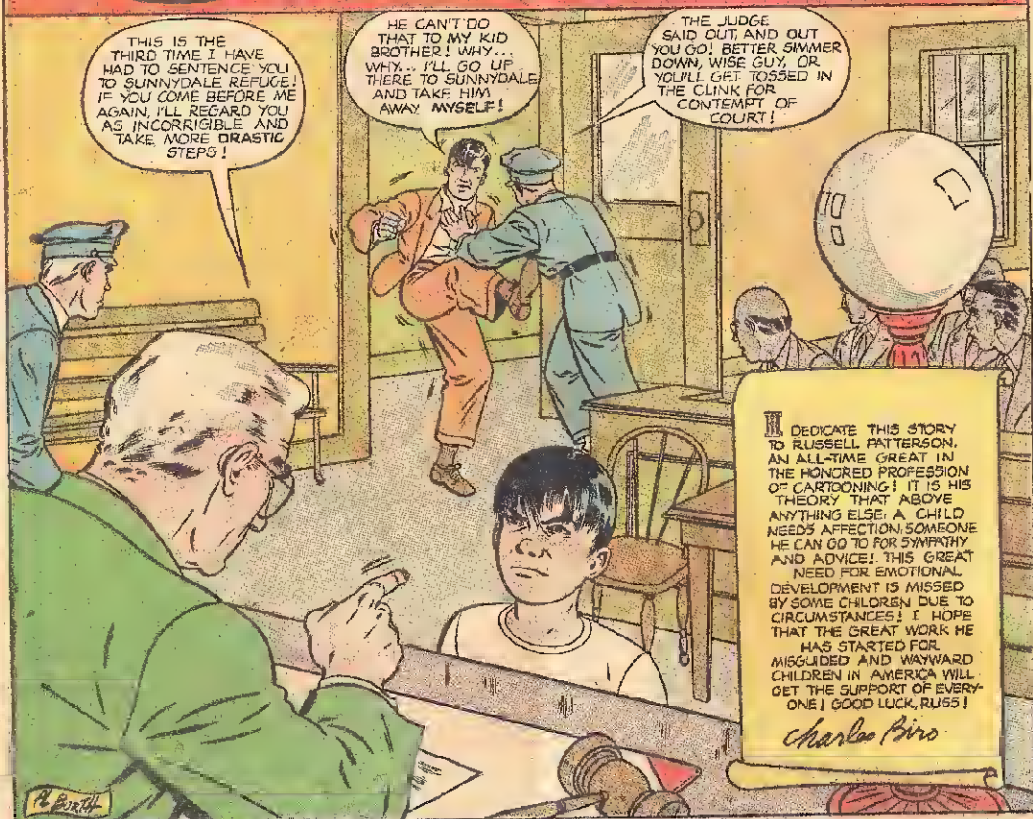
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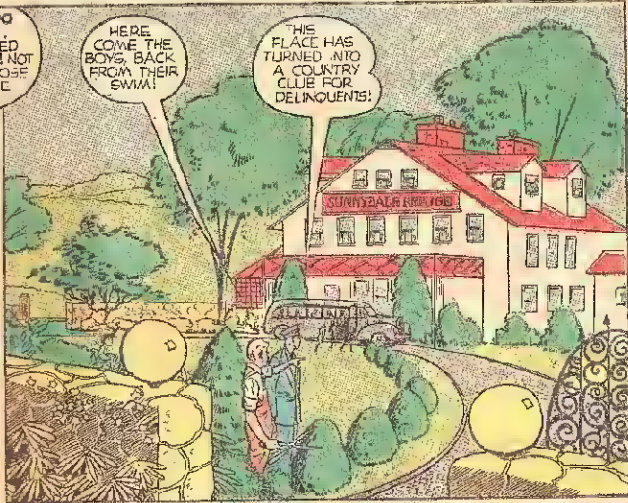
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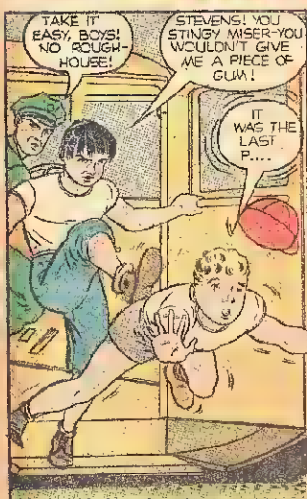
I AM NOT DISPUTING YOUR RECORDS, BUT I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT THE STATES REPORTS ARE ABSOLUTELY IMPARTIAL AND THE FOUNDATION IS GUIDED BY THEM! YOUR SCHOOL'S ALLOTMENT HAS BEEN CUT \$50,000, AND UNLESS YOU SHOW SOME IMPROVEMENT, IT WILL BE WITHDRAWN ALTOGETHER!

Y-Y-YOU CAN'T DO THIS TO US, MR. EASY! WE NEED MORE MONEY! NOT LESS! WHY THOSE BOYS EAT LIKE WOLVES!



HERE COME THE BOYS, BACK FROM THEIR SWIM!

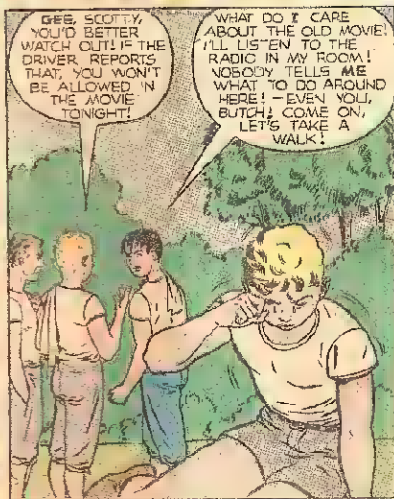
HIS PLACE HAS TURNED INTO A COUNTRY CLUB FOR DELINQUENTS!



TAKE IT EASY, BOYS! NO ROUGH-HOUSE!

STEVENS! YOU STINKY NISER-YOU WOULDN'T GIVE ME A PIECE OF GUM!

IT WAS THE LAST P...



GEE, SCOTTY, YOU'D BETTER WATCH OUT! IF THE DRIVER REPORTS THAT, YOU WON'T BE ALLOWED IN THE MOVIE TONIGHT!

WHAT DO I CARE ABOUT THE OLD MOVIE! I'LL LISTEN TO THE RADIO IN MY ROOM! NOBODY TELLS ME WHAT TO DO AROUND HERE! - EVEN YOU! BUTCH! COME ON, LET'S TAKE A WALK!



BUTCH, THEY'RE GONNA SPRING ME TOMORROW... THEY'RE GONNA SEND ME HOME AND I DON'T WANNA GO! I LIKE IT HERE!

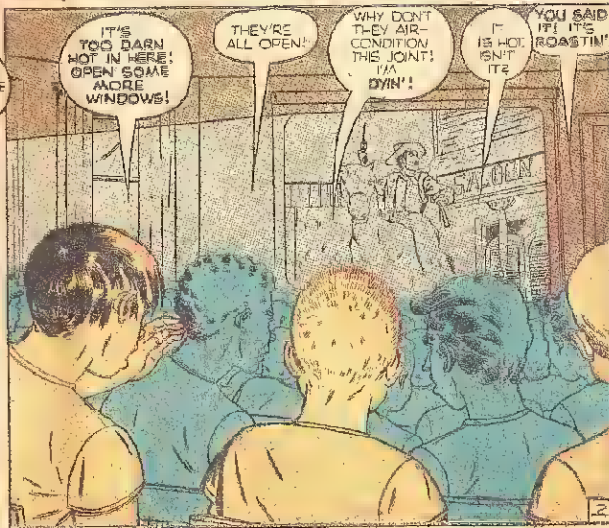
YEAH, I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, SCOTTY-LOOK, MAYBE YOU COULD DO SOMETHING REAL BAD AND OLD PONSONEY'D HOLD YOU OVER FOR ANOTHER SIX MONTHS! WAIT! I GOT AN IDEA- FOR TONIGHT AT THE MOVIE, I'LL GET A BIG LAUGH, TOO!



GO RIGHT N BOYS! SAY ANYWHERE YOU WISH! YOU'LL JUST LOVE THE MOVIE TONIGHT!

I GUESS THE DRIVER DIDN'T REPORT ME FOR KICKING STEVENS!

JUST REMEMBER WHAT YOU'RE GONNA SAY!



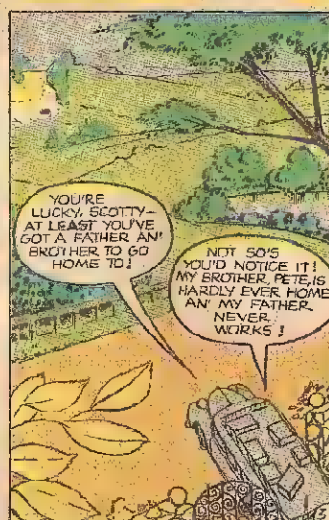
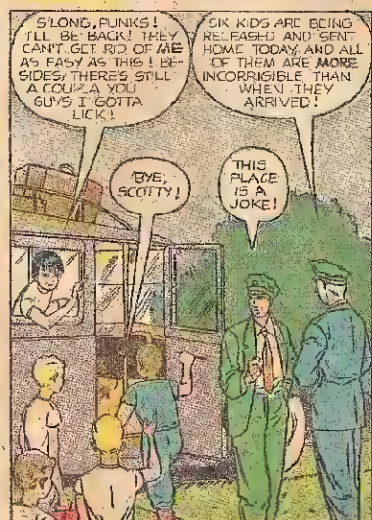
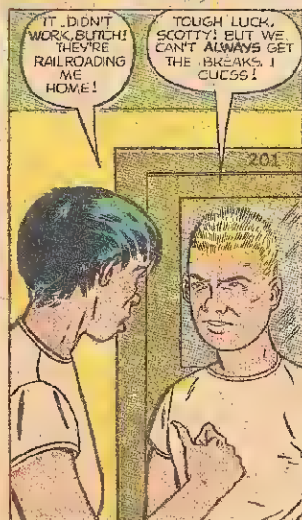
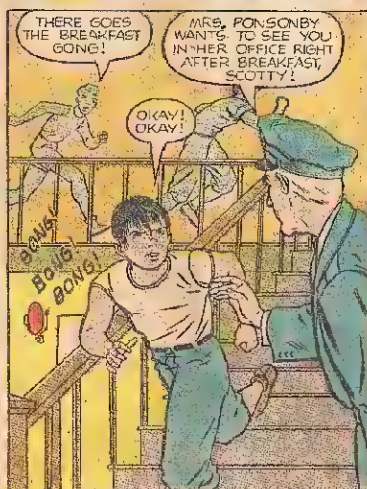
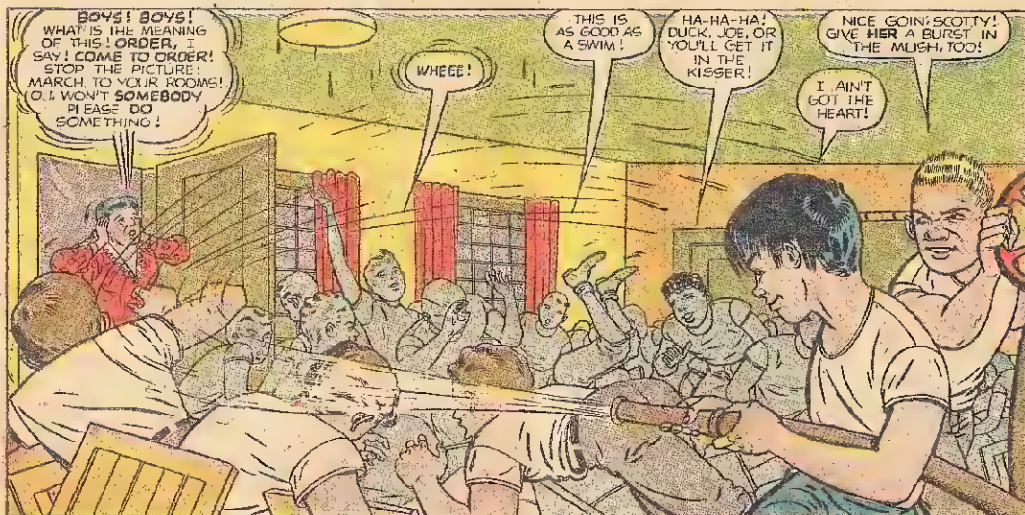
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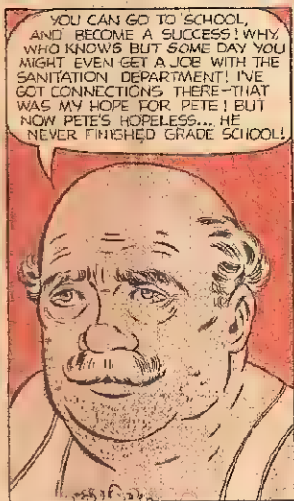
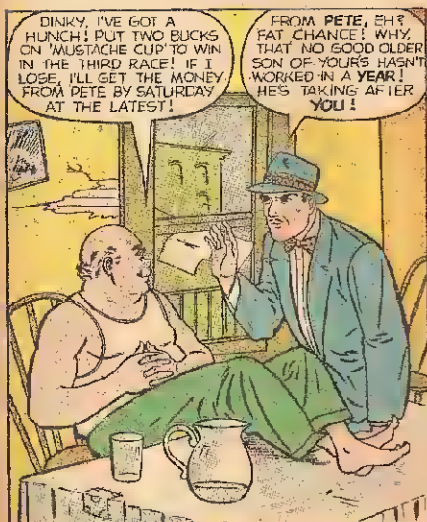
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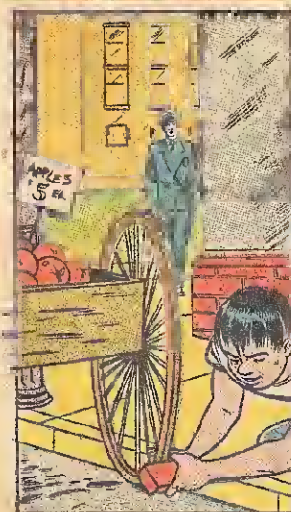
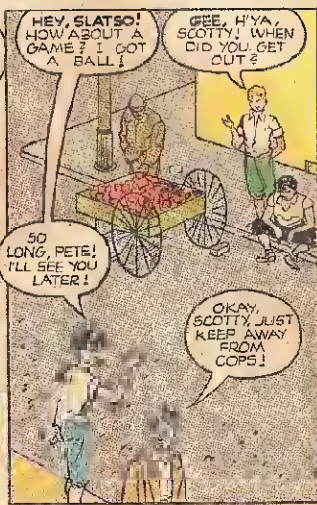
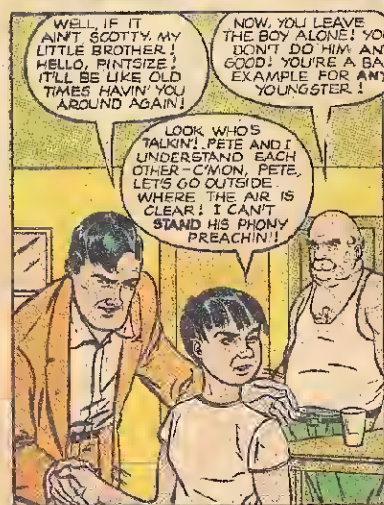
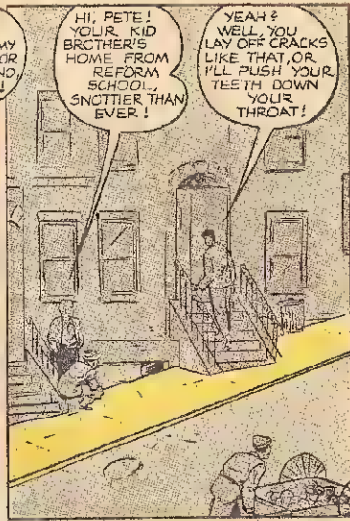
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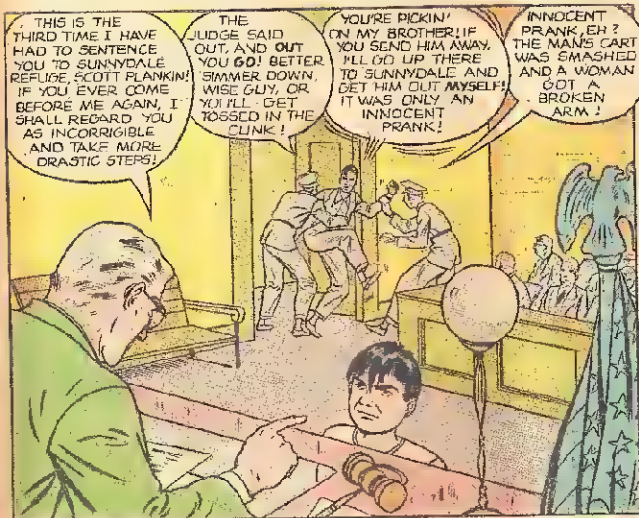
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YOU SAID IT! IT'S ROASTIN'!







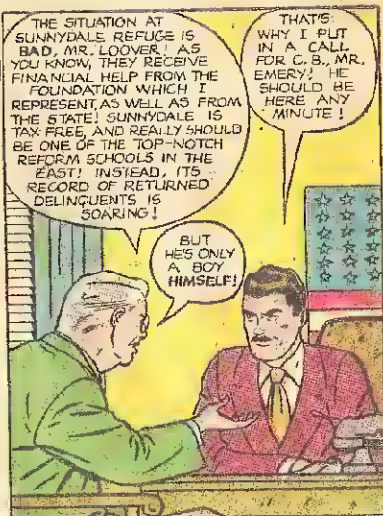


"THIS IS THE THIRD TIME I HAVE HAD TO SENTENCE YOU TO SUNNYDALE REFORM SCHOOL. IF YOU EVER COME BEFORE ME AGAIN, I SHALL REGARD YOU AS INCORRIGIBLE AND TAKE MORE DRASTIC STEPS!"

"THE JUDGE SAID OUT, AND OUT YOU GO! BETTER SHAMER DOWN WISE GUY, OR YOU'LL GET TOSSED IN THE CLUNK!"

"YOU'RE PICKIN' ON MY BROTHER! IF YOU SEND HIM AWAY, I'LL GO UP THERE TO SUNNYDALE AND GET HIM OUT MYSELF! IT WAS ONLY AN INNOCENT PRANK!"

"INNOCENT PRANK, EH? THE NAME CART WAS SMASHED AND A WOMAN GOT A BROKEN ARM!"



"THE SITUATION AT SUNNYDALE REFORM SCHOOL IS BAD, MR. LOOVER. AS YOU KNOW, THEY RECEIVE FINANCIAL HELP FROM THE FOUNDATION WHICH I REPRESENT, AS WELL AS FROM THE STATE! SUNNYDALE IS TAX-FREE, AND REALLY SHOULD BE ONE OF THE TOP-NOTCH REFORM SCHOOLS IN THE EAST! INSTEAD, ITS RECORD OF RETURNED DELINQUENTS IS SOARING!"

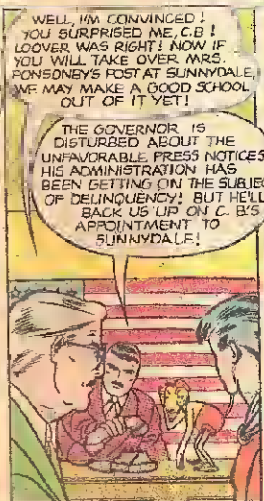
"THAT'S WHY I PUT IN A CALL FOR C.B. MR. EMERY! HE SHOULD BE HERE ANY MINUTE!"

"BUT HE'S ONLY A BOY HIMSELF!"



"YOU MAY THINK C.B. A LITTLE YOUNG TO BE CALLED IN ON A MATTER LIKE THIS, MR. EMERY, BUT DON'T UNDERESTIMATE HIM! BEING A BOY HIMSELF, HE UNDERSTANDS BOYS' PROBLEMS A LOT BETTER THAN WE DO!"

"GLAD TO KNOW YOU, C.B. LET'S SIT DOWN AND REVIEW THE SITUATION—MAYBE WE CAN FIND A SOLUTION! THE PROBLEM SEEMS TO BE ENTIRELY ONE OF MANAGEMENT!"



"WELL, I'M CONVINCED! YOU SURPRISED ME, C.B. LOOVER WAS RIGHT! NOW IF YOU WILL TAKE OVER MRS. PONGONBY'S POST AT SUNNYDALE, WE MAY MAKE A GOOD SCHOOL OUT OF IT YET!"

"THE GOVERNOR IS DISTURBED ABOUT THE UNFAVORABLE PRESS NOTICES HIS ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN GETTING ON THE SUBJECT OF DELINQUENCY! BUT HE'LL BACK US UP ON C.B.'S APPOINTMENT TO SUNNYDALE!"



"MRS. PONGONBY LEFT THIS MORNING! SHE WAS HIGHLY INDIGNANT! HER PAMPERING REGIME IS OVER! THOSE TRUCKS ARE TAKING AWAY THE UNNECESSARY LUXURIES! THE ONES COMING IN ARE BRASS, PRINTING PRESSES, WOOD-TURNING EQUIPMENT, DRAWING INSTRUMENTS AND LEATHER-WORKING TOOLS! IF I KNOW BOYS, THEY'RE GOING TO ENJOY WORK AS WELL AS PLAY!"

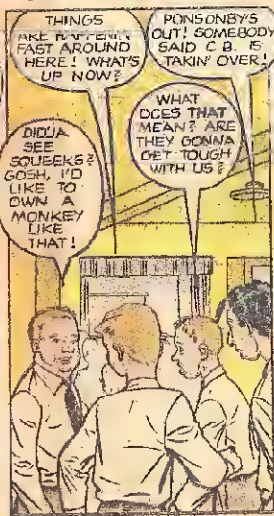


"THERE GO THE POOL TABLES AND THE TELEVISION SET! THEY CAN'T DO THAT TO US! WE GOTTA RAISE A SQUAWK! WE'LL GO ON A SIT-DOWN STRIKE...OR...OR...A HUNGER STRIKE...OR...OR..."

"GEE, SCOTTY, NOT A HUNGER STRIKE! NOT WITH MY APPETITE!"

"ASSEMBLY CALL IN FIFTEEN MINUTES!"

"HEY, GUYS, THAT'S C.B. OUT THERE! WHAT DO YOU KNOW! GOSH, MAYBE HE'S TAKING OVER!"

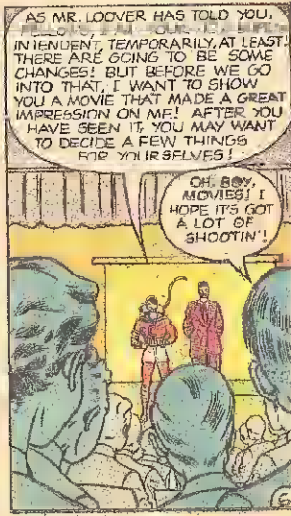


"THINGS ARE MOVING FAST AROUND HERE! WHAT'S UP NOW?"

"PONGONBY'S OUT! SOMEBODY SAID C.B. IS TAKIN' OVER!"

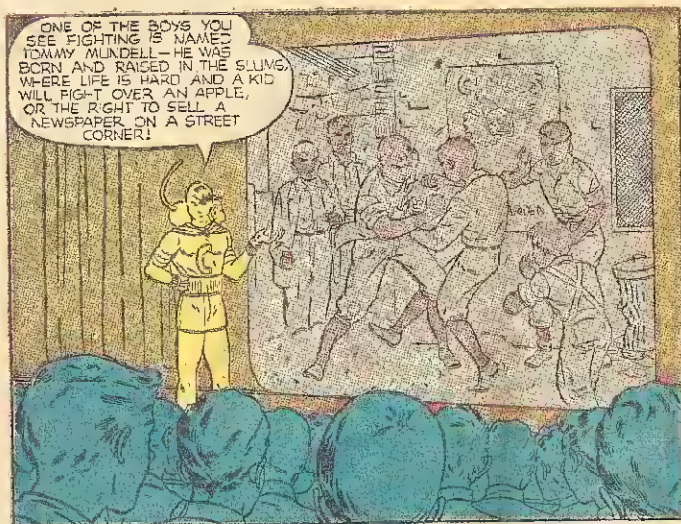
"WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? ARE THEY GONNA GET TOUGH WITH US?"

"DIDJA SEE SQUEEKS? GOSH, I'D LIKE TO OWN A MONKEY LIKE THAT!"



"AS MR. LOOVER HAS TOLD YOU, PONGONBY'S OUT! TEMPORARILY, AT LEAST! THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME CHANGES! BUT BEFORE WE GO INTO THAT, I WANT TO SHOW YOU A MOVIE THAT MADE A GREAT IMPRESSION ON ME! AFTER YOU HAVE SEEN IT YOU MAY WANT TO DECIDE A FEW THINGS FOR YOURSELVES!"

"OH, BOY, MOVIES! I HOPE IT'S GOT A LOT OF SHOOTIN'!"



ONE OF THE BOYS YOU SEE FIGHTING IS NAMED TOMMY MUNDELL - HE WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE SLUMS, WHERE LIFE IS HARD AND A KID WILL FIGHT OVER AN APPLE, OR THE RIGHT TO SELL A NEWSPAPER ON A STREET CORNER!



...AT THE SAME TIME IN ANOTHER PART OF TOWN - A WEALTHY NEIGHBORHOOD WHERE NOBODY WANTED FOR ANYTHING AND LIFE WAS SOFT - A SPOILED, RICH BOY, HEYWOOD DREYFOR, OF THE SAME AGE AS TOMMY MUNDELL, WAS STAGING A ROW OF HIS OWN! HIS MOTHER HAD GIVEN HIM A DOLLAR - HE WANTED TEN! HE GOT TEN!



THESE BOYS GREW UP, EACH IN HIS OWN WAY - EACH BELIEVING HIMSELF SUPERIOR TO OTHER PEOPLE - ONE BECAUSE OF HIS FIGHTS, THE OTHER BECAUSE OF HIS FATHER'S WEALTH. IT THEN FATE THREW THEM TOGETHER AT THE RACE TRACK, BOTH WERE LOOKING FOR EASY MONEY! HEYWOOD'S FATHER HAD CUT OFF HIS ALLOWANCE, AND NEITHER HEYWOOD NOR TOMMY WANTED TO WORK, SO THEY TEAMED UP! THAT WAS THE BEGINNING OF TRAGEDY!



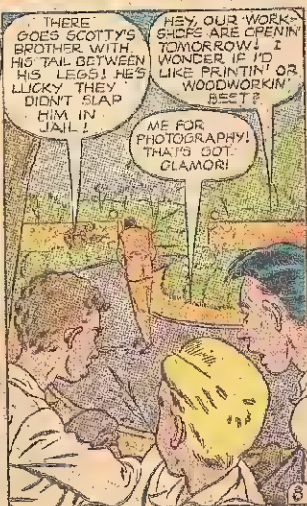
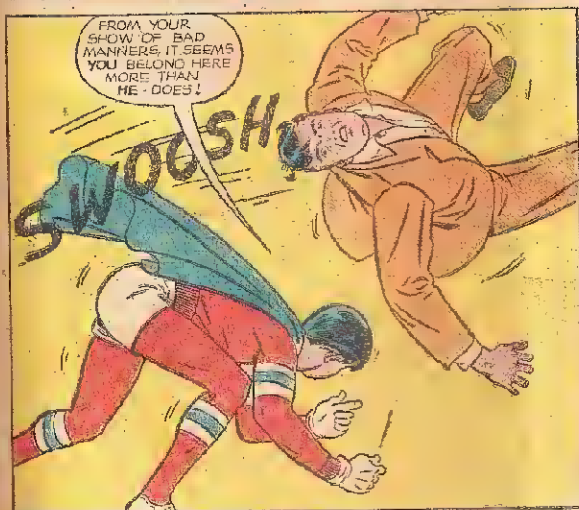
THEIR'S WAS A CRIMINAL PARTNERSHIP, HIGHLIGHTED BY ROBBERIES AND HOLDUPS, AND ULTIMATELY, MURDER! IT COULD HAVE HAD ONE ENDING - THIS WAS IT! AND THEY PAID THE PENALTY BY WALKING THE LAST MILE TOGETHER!

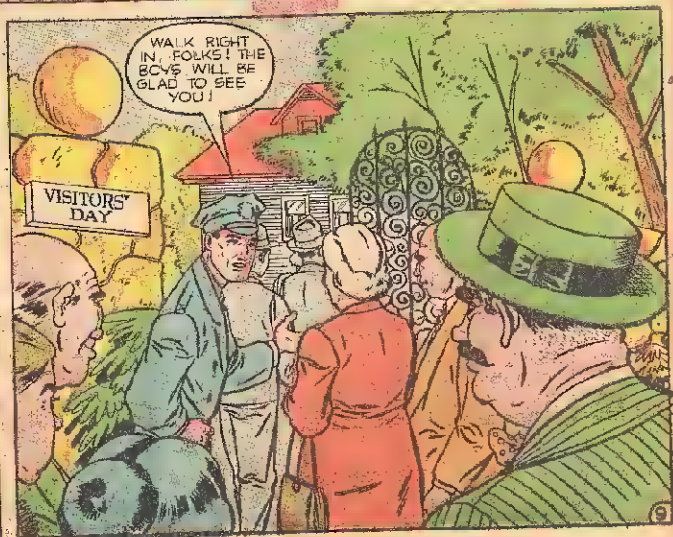
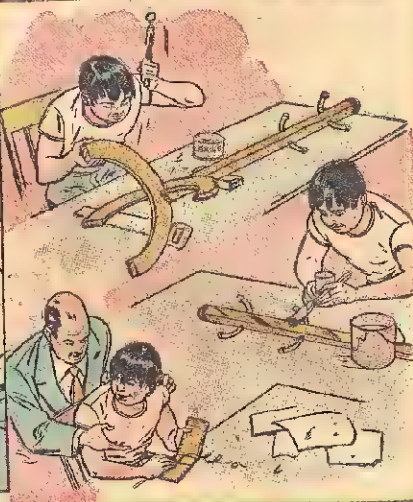
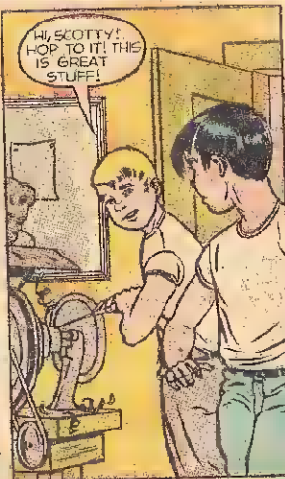
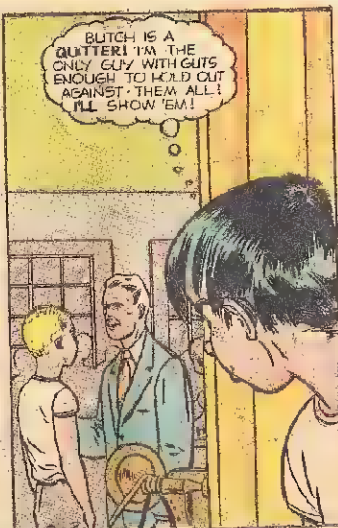
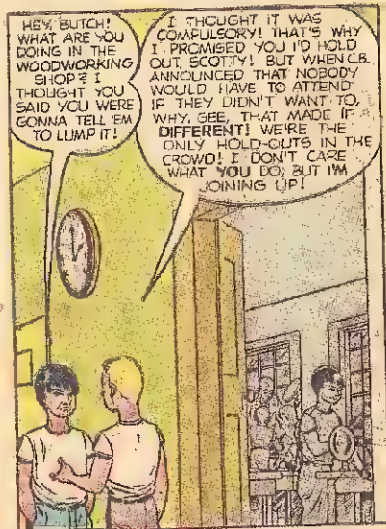


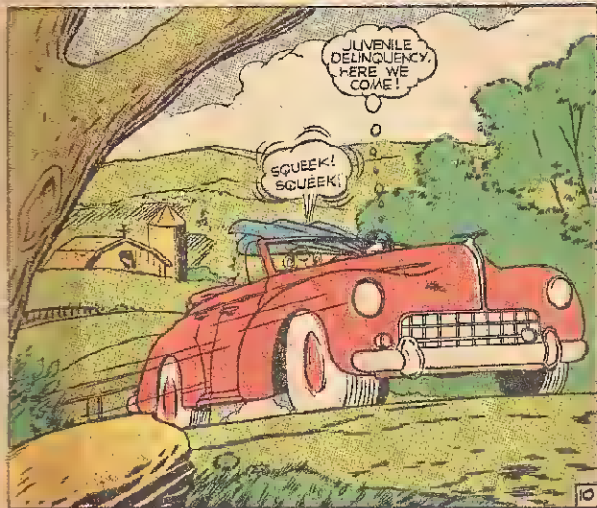
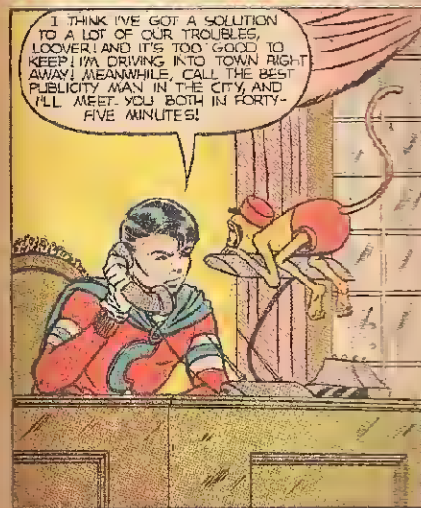
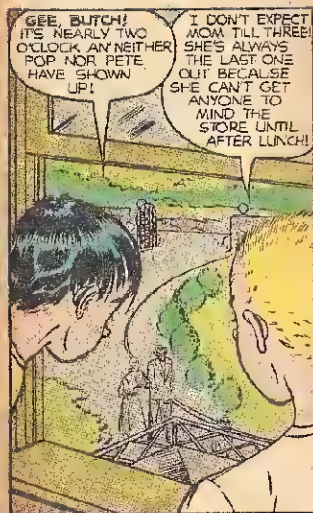
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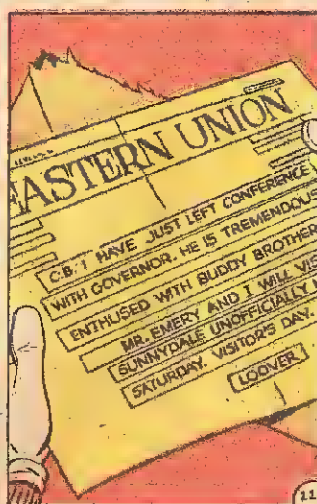
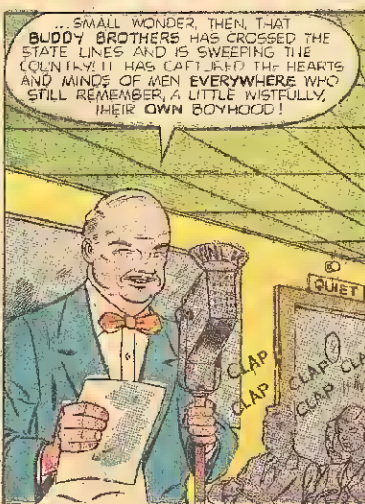
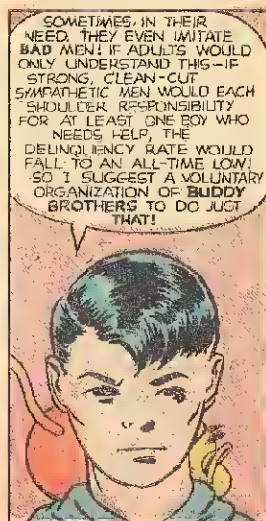
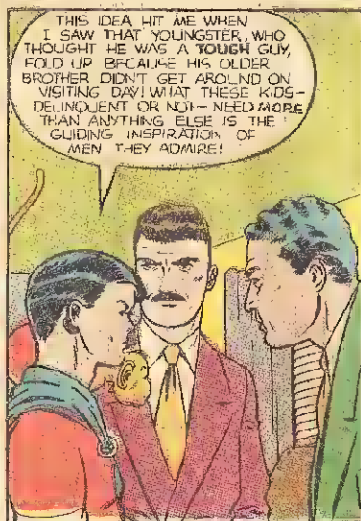


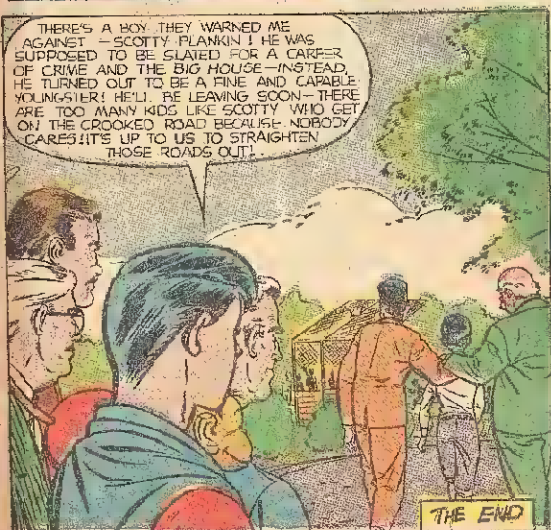
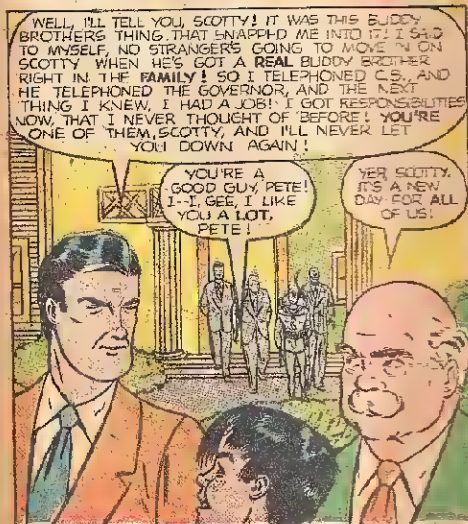
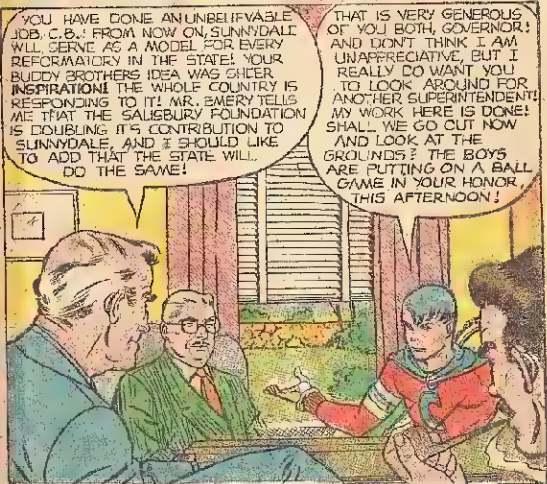
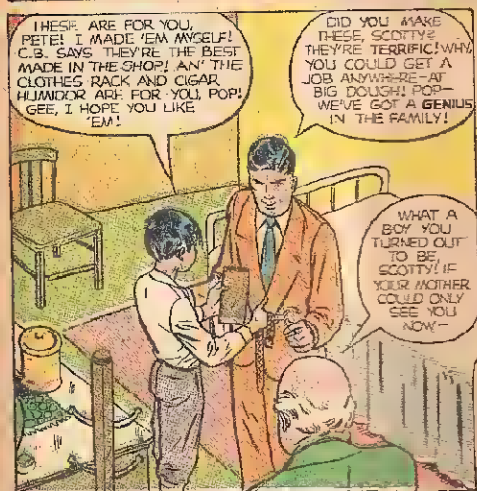
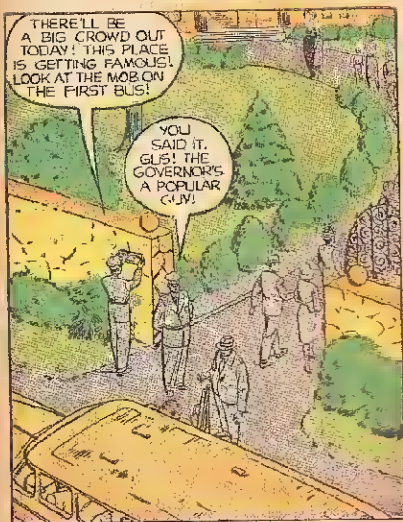
WHERE IS HE? WHERE'S SCOTTY PLANKIN? I'VE COME FOR MY KID BROTHER! I SAID I'D TAKE HIM OUT OF HERE, AND I WILL, IF I HAVE TO DO IT OVER YOUR DEAD BODIES!











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The RIDDLE of the MYSTERY HOUSE!

"GEE, Scarecrow, do you think we ought to be doing this?" said Pee Wee anxiously. "What if somebody catches us here at the Venner Estate?"

"They won't, Pee Wee," replied Scarecrow. "Besides, D. D. said the house would probably be closed up for several years while they settle the estate. And old man Venner liked us kids a lot—he wouldn't mind our coming back to see the house. He asked us to come up here a couple of times—and we did—remember? But he wasn't home." Scarecrow worked diligently at the cellar window of the old mansion, trying to pry it loose without breaking it. "Hey, hand me that stick, Jock. I think I almost have it."

The old mansion had been the subject of much speculation in the town ever since Dr. Venner had first bought it nine years before. A renowned scientist and explorer, he had retired as head of the department of archaeology at the state university. The town was honored at first to have such a world-famed—and wealthy—citizen, but their admiration cooled as one after another their invitations and attempts at friendship were turned down. "No time for that sort of thing. So sorry . . . so sorry." Dr. Venner would say. "Many more important things to be done than balancing tea-cups and fiddle-faddling around. Good-day."

"Fiddle-faddling, indeed!" exclaimed one persistent dowager, who had pursued the venerable doctor with more than usual tenacity. "And what does he call that mumbo-jumbo he practices up there? Crazy, I call him. He's too smart to be polite to the likes of us, and then he hobnobs around with any little ragamuffin he picks up in the streets!"

What had really irked the town most of all, however, were the strange goings-on up at the Venner house. No one had ever seen the inside of it, but everyone had seen crates and packages, lumber and concrete and furnishings being moved into the house. Workmen had been called in by Dr. Venner from out of town, and evidently they had been well paid to keep their mouths shut. Rumors ran from "He's building a chamber of horrors," to "Oh, he's just an old crackpot who thinks he's an inventor or a magician or something." But the children of Pitts-town saw him in a different light. The doctor may have been barely civil to the townspeople, but he would spend long hours with children, telling them of ancient Egypt, of the Mayan and Inca temples, of the innumerable wonders he had seen in his lifetime. He had spent many such hours with the Wise Guys themselves, and they had looked on him as an eccentric but thoroughly delightful friend.

"It doesn't seem right that such a swell guy should have such a greedy bunch of relatives," said Jock. "D. D. said that ever since Dr. Venner

died, more and more relatives have been cropping up, trying to cash in on his money. The estate will probably be tied up in litigation for a long time to come. Hey! The window's starting to give! Want me to help you?"

Jock jumped down into the window well, and he and Scarecrow put all their weight into prying the frame loose. "We've got it! Here, Curly, prop the window open with that stick."

The Wise Guys crouched down to look into the musty interior. "Jeepers, it's dark in there!" Pee Wee shrank back. "What do you say we wait and see if D. D. can get permission to take us through?"

"No, sir!" said Jock. "Those relatives wouldn't allow it. Anyway, remember the invitation Dr. Venner gave us—'Come and see me, boys, and if I'm not there, you'll be welcome anyway.'"

Jock peered into the cellar. "Here, Curly, hand me that candle." He carefully lowered himself through the window. There was a short drop to the floor. "Hey, fellas! I landed on something soft! It—it's a mat!" The other Wise Guys quickly followed Jock into the cellar.

"Gee, it looks like sort of a padded cell with all this padding and—and the ropes and bars," said Jock. "It's sure spooky. Come on, let's go look at the rest of the house."

The four boys crept on into the next room, following the gleam of the candle. The air was stale and musty, and the twisting corridors and chopped-up rooms gave little hint of what was beyond. The boys became more and more uncertain and nervous. The atmosphere was still and somehow expectant.

"Look at the walls! They're all painted with murals, or something. And the floor is all mosaic with funny designs. Maybe they're magic symbols. H—ouch!" Jock stopped suddenly, halted by chicken wire that stretched from floor to ceiling. He looked as far as he could see in the dim candlelight. "Gee, what a big hole! It's pitch black down there!" The Wise Guys backed away fearfully. "What do you suppose *that's* for?" asked Pee Wee nervously. "I don't like the looks of it. Maybe it's a bottomless pit, or—or a vat!"

"Yipe! Look at that!" hollered Curly. "There's somebody standing over there in the corner. And over there, too! They're bodies! They have . . ." His shout was interrupted by a clank from the corner. The boys whirled in terror, their eyes wide and nerves tense. "Let's get out of here! There's somebody here!" The boys tripped over one another in a rush to get back to the open window and the comforting safety of the sunshine.

"Which direction did we come?" shouted Pee Wee. "This way?"

"No! Over that way—through the arches!"

"Here! This way!" shouted Jock, but Pee Wee was already scrambling in the opposite direction.

"I, Adolph Venner--bn gl-vm-brrrmmmmmm . . ." The voice died in a horrible, blood-curdling gurgle!

"Yi-i-i!" Pee Wee picked himself up and tore back to the others. "Help! Help! Get me out of here!"

Twenty minutes later they found Daredevil. In an incoherent babble, they tried to tell him about their discovery. Daredevil was finally able to piece the story together.

But Mr. Bart was no help. "I've never been in the house, and don't know a thing about it," he said. "All I know is that about two years ago he sent me a letter saying that under no circumstances was anyone to be allowed in or near his house for one year after his death—not even a caretaker. It's all pretty odd, particularly since he left no will. In the meantime, I have all of his relatives on my hands, squabbling and yelling about court action. I, of course, didn't give you permission, but if you investigate without my knowledge, I guess there's nothing I can do about it."

"Let's go on and see the rest of the layout, kids," said Daredevil, "and particularly where your voice came from. Pee Wee, do you remember the spot where you tripped and fell?"

"Pit," exclaimed Scarecrow. "It's a pretty elegant pit—it's a swimming-pool, and the chicken wire is up to keep people from falling in. What gives?"

"You know those magic symbols on the walls and floors back there?" said Scarecrow excitedly. "They're for hopscotch an' shuffleboard an' darts."

"You know those magic symbols on the walls and floors back there?" said Scarecrow excitedly. "They're for hopscotch an' shuffleboard an' darts an' everything! They're built right into the tile!"

behind him, and as they entered the room where the voice had been, Daredevil stopped and picked up an end of wire. "Could this be what tripped you, Pee Wee?" he asked. "It's fastened to a box over there."

The two of them walked over to the box, and as Daredevil opened it, he called to the boys. "I've found Pee Wee's voice, only he didn't give it a chance to finish. It's a recording, and you jerked the wire so hard, the box tipped and the needle came off the record."

Daredevil righted the photograph and started the record. The voice of the late Dr. Venner boomed again through the room. "I, Adolph Venner, being of sound mind and memory, do declare on this eighteenth day of May, nineteen hundred and forty-nine, that this is my last will and testament, revoking all others. I hereby give and bequeath to the boys of Pittstown all of my earthly possessions."

"Shut up, Pee Wee!" said Jock. "Listen to the rest."

"First, I do give and bequeath to these boys my home, hereinafter referred to Pittstown Center, which I have equipped and remodelled to suit the tastes of the many boys I have known here." The record wound on, with Dr. Venner's voice giving the stipulations of the trust fund and the supervision of the home.

"Gee, how wonderful!" shouted Scarecrow. "Let's get going. How soon can we have the pool filled? And let's play basketball this afternoon!"

"Why the heck do you suppose he made it so complicated to get in, D. D.?" asked Pee Wee.

"Let's play the other side of the record, Pee Wee. Maybe that'll tell us."

The record started again. It began with Dr. Venner's deep-throated chuckle, then, "Well, boys, how do you like it? If I know young boys at all well, they can't resist a deserted house, and especially one that's been as talked about as this old mansion. And I'll warrant exploring deserted houses has never been as profitable before! Well, I've had my little joke, and just in case those grabby relatives of mine think a recorded will is illegal, a properly signed one will be sent to Mr. Bart by the University one year from the date of my death. Have fun, kids!"

"So that's why he spent so many hours with us," said Jock. "He really was a swell old guy, in spite of what all the grown-ups said about him. The only change I'd recommend in his plans is to call this Venner House, whether it's legal or not."

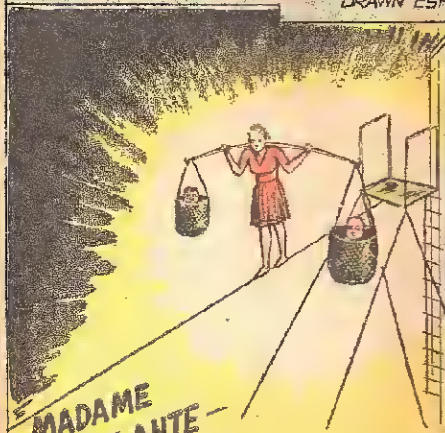
"No, I wouldn't do that," said Daredevil. "Men like Dr. Venner are modest. He wouldn't like it, and he knew that you'd remember him anyway, without plastering his name all over the place. But remember, boys, just because *this* deserted house turned into a honanza," continued Daredevil, "it doesn't mean that searching through any and all deserted houses is in order."

"Don't worry, D. D.," said Jock. "We'll be much too busy playing around here to have time for investigating any more houses." THE END

FAMOUS ECCENTRICS

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MOORE

DRAWN ESPECIALLY for "BOY"



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WALKED A HIGH-WIRE IN A CIRCUS
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MORTAR AND FIRED IT
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THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR IN THE COMMAND OF GENERAL PATTERSON,
AND IT WASN'T UNTIL ROBERT BECAME HOSPITALIZED THAT THE
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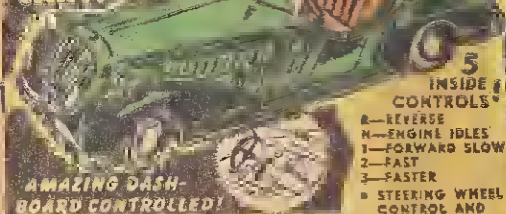
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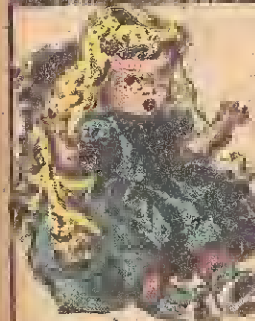


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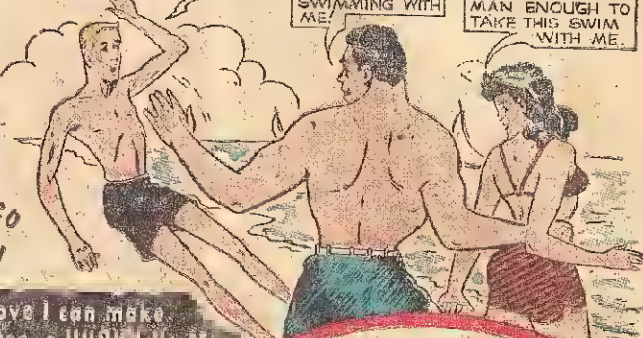
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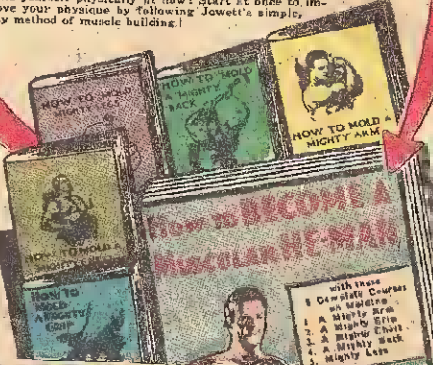
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